

31 Killed, Hundreds Left Homeless As Tornado Razes Arkansas Area

Freak Snowstorm



Evergreen trees in Atkinson, Neb., took on the appearance of bearing clusters of huge white blossoms as a heavy snowstorm swept across the state. Lila Smith of Atkinson tries sweeping the "blossoms" away.

300 TREATED IN ONE HOSPITAL AT PINE BLUFF

Many Families Wiped Out
In Southern Disaster;
Twister Levels Bridges

PINE BLUFF, Ark., June 1 (AP)—At least 31 persons were killed, hundreds injured and hundreds others made homeless late today when a tornado swept through one of the South's heaviest populated plantation regions near here.

The 31 bodies were in mortuaries, state police said 35 were known dead.

Officials said it was impossible to estimate the final death toll and Mayor George Steed declared that there "is no telling how many were injured."

Estimates of the number of homeless ranged from 500.

Day's hospital—only hospital here—reported at 10:30 p. m. (Pottstown time) it had given emergency treatment to more than 300 persons.

Others were being routed to the station hospital at nearby Pine Bluff arsenal.

The twister raced along a curved path from east to west, narrowly missing the south edge of this city of 40,000 situated on the Arkansas river 43 miles southeast of Little Rock.

Taxis and private automobiles were pressed into service to assist all available ambulances in bringing the dead and injured to Pine Bluff.

Several small rural communities were in the path of the storm and some virtually were wiped out.

Mayor Steed, one of the first to reach the storm area, expressed fear that it would take 24 hours to complete rescue operations.

The first 28 known dead included 13 Negroes and 15 white persons.

Steed said that the path of the (Continued on Page Eleven)

451 Violent Deaths Listed for Weekend

By The Associated Press
At least 451 persons died violently over the Memorial Day weekend, during which plane crashes and tornadoes pushed the miscellaneous toll above that by traffic accidents, usually the No. 1 killer.

One hundred and ninety-eight persons were killed by miscellaneous causes, 95 of them in the nation's two worst airplane crashes, and at least 37 in tornadoes. Traffic mishaps took 201 lives and drownings, 52.

The traffic toll, expected to rise by the time homeward-bound motorists reached their destinations, lagged behind the National Safety Council's prediction of 275 automobile fatalities by Sunday midnight.

DEFECT IS SEEN AS CRASH CAUSE

Study of Airliner Wreck
By CAB Indicates Piece
Fell Off Before Crack-Up

PORT DEPOSIT, Md., June 1 (AP)—Initial investigations of the wreckage of an airliner, which crashed Friday with a loss of 53 lives point to a structural defect, possibly in the tail section of the plane, a Civil Aeronautics board spokesman said tonight.

Investigators checked minutely the shattered fragments of the giant Eastern Airlines DC4, and collected engines, propellers, and the bits of tail section and transported these to headquarters at the Bainbridge naval training center for even closer analysis, he added.

The official, who declined use of his name, said that today's examination tentatively established that a part of the plane came off before it plunged, nose downward, into a densely wooded section three miles east of Port Deposit, in the worst disaster in the history of American commercial aviation.

CAB investigators believe that it was the tail section—found 200 yards behind the main wreckage—which became detached.

The official said the tail fragments and other parts of the plane would be subjected to a metallurgical analysis for the board by the United States bureau of standards.

He said this procedure was "not routine" but adopted where suspicion centers on a structural defect.

Capt. John H. Halliburton, Eastern Airlines operation chief, told newsmen the airliner was a former Army C54 converted at a cost of \$100,000.

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Taft Supports Move For Pact Approvals

WASHINGTON, June 1 (AP)—Senator Robert Taft (R-Ohio) threw his weight today behind a drive by Senator Arthur Vandenberg (R-Mich.) for early Senate ratification of peace treaties with Italy, Bulgaria, Romania and Hungary.

Taft, who heads the Senate Republican policy committee, told a reporter he is going along with Vandenberg in the effort to obtain approval of the four treaties, possibly this week, because he believes "the balance is in favor" of the agreements.

But the Ohio senator made it plain that he has given much thought to the contention of some opponents of the Italian treaty that its ratification—bringing about the subsequent withdrawal of American troops from that country—might open the way for seizure of the Italian government by the Communists.

"I don't know and I don't think anyone now can guess what happens if we withdraw our troops," Taft said. "Perhaps the Communists will seize control of the Italian government. If they do, where does that leave us, with our program of aiding Greece and Turkey to prevent them from falling into the hands of the Communists?"

Neighbors Helping Out In Aid to Lackoviches

Neighborhood spirit is helping smooth the path of hardship for James Lackovich and his four children, of 33 Riverside avenue, Kenilworth, who were burned out of their home the past Wednesday.

Aid to the stricken family has been given by Mrs. Rose Korosky, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Purcell and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hoffman, all neighbors of the Lackovich family.

Mrs. Meral Cox, of the Salvation Army, has been providing clothing and furniture. As a result of a plea in The Mercury the family has been given an oil stove.

No office hours June 2-7. Dr. Charles Lichtenwalner.

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Kozak Bros. Cooper's Beer, P 3975W

TRAINING PLAN ADVOCATED BY TRUMAN BOARD

1 1/2 Billions a Year Urged
By Commission; Report
Hits at Military 'Weakness'

WASHINGTON, June 1 (AP)—A Presidential commission advised America tonight to start a \$1,750,000,000-a-year system of universal military training and spend more billions for defense to invite "extermination" in atomic warfare.

The President's advisory commission on universal training, headed by Dr. Karl T. Compton, reported that "our military forces are a hollow shell."

It said the Army has been "dismantled" and the ground forces have only 21-3 full combat divisions available for duty.

"Weakness is an invitation to extermination," it declared.

The nine civilians of the commission said American involvement in war could come "at any time" through some aggression in a distant part of the world.

They also said America can expect only from four to ten years of immunity from an atomic "sneak attack" on its own cities.

After that, an attack could hit with "indescribable horror," the report holds, and in that case the country would need "trained men in every part of the country ready and able to meet disorder, sabotage, and even invasion."

The commission rejected the argument that atomic bombs and other new weapons have eliminated the need for mass military forces in wartime. On the contrary, it said that in a future war, more troops, not less, would be quickly required "for home defense, for effective counter-attack, and for complete victory."

Therefore, the commissioners recommended unanimously—despite a considerable disparity of viewpoint—among them before they began their study—that Congress adopt "at once" a plan for compulsory training of all the nation's 18-year-old males.

Congressional leaders of both parties commented that there is no chance for action on universal training at this session. They noted it has no place on the schedule of the Republican leadership planning an adjournment July 31.

"If that proposal by the President's advisory group would place control of universal training under a special three-man commission of two civilians and one military representative, rather than the armed services themselves.

All physically-fit young men would be required to undergo six months of basic training in camps or on ships when they reach the age of 18 or when they finish their secondary schooling, whichever is later. After that they would be required to take further training equivalent to an additional six months. Special training was proposed for those physically disabled and for conscientious objectors.

The commission declared that its plan is a matter of "urgent military necessity" because there is no other way of guaranteeing a speedy enough flow of trained manpower to win a large-scale war.

It said the program would have to be financed by a tax but could not be justified on non-military grounds. President Truman, after creating the commission six months ago, urged that the emphasis be on non-military benefits. He even changed the title of the commission to eliminate the word "military." In a statement Dec. 20, he said "the military phase in incident to what I have in mind."

Dr. Compton is president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a noted scientist.

The other eight members are Joseph E. Davies, former ambassador to Russia; Charles E. Wilson, president of General Electric.

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Gerald Fizz Dies; Was Army Veteran

Gerald Fizz, 29, died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Fizz, 719 Beech street, at 9:20 o'clock last night, shortly after his return from the Wawa Chest hospital, Delaware county, where he had been a patient for five weeks.

A veteran of almost three years in the Army, with service in the Pacific area, Mr. Fizz belonged to the Empire Hook and Ladder company, Pottstown Nest 1393, Fraternal Order of Eagles, the George A. Amole post, American Legion, and the Boyertown Orioles.

He was born and reared in Pottstown, and lived in the Daub apartments, where he is survived by his wife, Mrs. Marion (Field) Fizz and his 13-month-old son, Gerald Jr.

Mr. Fizz was employed by the Hanley Taxi company as a driver, and had previously worked for the Harp Taxi company.

His other survivors include five sisters, Jean, at home; Mrs. Grace Terwilliger, at home; Mrs. Mildred Knapp, of Reading; Mrs. Pearl Cameron, Pottstown RD 1, and Mrs. Ethel Wassiluk, at home; and two brothers, William and Dale, both at the Beech street address.

Funeral arrangements were not completed late last night.

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Pass 55th Milestone Together



Mr. and Mrs. William Schlipp, of 852 Queen street, are shown as they celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary yesterday.

Couple, Wed 55 Years, Had No Time for a Honeymoon

By HARRY G. TOLAND
(Mercury Staff Writer)

In a neat, little brick house on the south side of Queen street where they have lived for the past 52 years, Mr. and Mrs. William Schlipp yesterday celebrated 55 years of married life.

Mrs. Schlipp, a tidy, little person of 77 years but looking at least ten years younger than her age, said, "We get along well together. Sure, we've had some scraps, but who hasn't? You have to give and take a little. That's something a lot of moderns don't know much about."

The bride of 55 years ago remarked that her wedding day was a brisk white mustache and a full head of snowy hair, said they had.

"Everything has gone along very smoothly," he commented.

Up until six weeks ago when he came down with grippe, the venerable husband had worked as an odd-job helper in the shipping room of the Pottstown Paper Box company. He is recuperating now and hopes to return in the near future.

Mrs. Schlipp does all her own (Continued on Page Five)

Few Area Traffic Crashes Mar Holiday Weekend, Police Report

Weekend traffic in the area, marred by three accidents, was not excessively heavy, State and local police said last night.

The flow of cars, although much heavier than on ordinary days, was not unusual for a holiday weekend, even considering the fine weather.

Officials of the Reading railroad said three trains yesterday required extra sections and that passenger capacities were crowded to the limit.

A bakery truck and a sedan were badly damaged in a crash at High and Adams streets at 3:05 o'clock Saturday morning, and the operator of the truck, Ervin Howard, of 1517 Fernon street, Philadelphia, later was arrested by police.

Howard was given a hearing before Justice of the Peace Richard H. Cadmus, of the Seventh ward. He furnished \$500 bail for his appearance before Montgomery county court on charges of operating an automobile without the consent of the owner and leaving the scene of an accident without identifying himself and rendering aid.

Police Sgt. Daniel J. Linton and Motor Patrolman Lewis Borgiet investigated. Police said that a sedan owned by the Hanley Taxi company and operated by William Village, of 28 Scott street, Penn. Village, was going west on High street. Police reported the truck, which is owned by the Schulz Baking company, went south on Adams street, entering onto High street without stopping, smashed into the (Continued on Page Five)

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It's 'All Aboard' on Wednesday For Seniors' Trip to Capital

Mothers of 144 Pottstown High school seniors will have an easy time getting their children out of bed, Wednesday, for on that bright morning the annual three day trip to Washington, D.C., begins.

At 7:30 a.m. the group, one of the largest ever to make the journey to the nation's capital from Pottstown, will board a special train at the Pennsylvania Railroad station on the first leg of its trip.

Six teachers will accompany the 57 boys and 87 girls as chaperones. The teachers are Miss Mildred H. Christian, Miss Alma Klink, Mrs. Mildred Hott, Edward J. Good, Glenn Turner and Bertram Scanlin.

The group will leave Pottstown by train and will travel to Baltimore, Md. where a transfer to buses will be made. The group will then move on to Annapolis for a tour of the U.S. Naval Academy. After luncheon in Carvel hall at the academy, the trip will continue on to the capital.

The first day of sightseeing will take in the Supreme court building and the U. S. Capitol with a boat trip down the Potomac river climaxing the busy day.

More sightseeing is in store for the party on the second day. Such places of interest as the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Washington Monument, Pan-American Union, Corcoran Gallery of Art and (Continued on Page Five)

RETAILERS ADD EXTRA TAX TO CIGARET PRICES

Some Increases Delayed
Until Today; Clubmen
Discuss New Beer Levy

The extra two-cent tax on every package of cigarettes sold in Pennsylvania, effective yesterday, went into practice in most local stores.

Cigarette prices are now generally, 20 cents a pack, although some stores which were selling them at 19 cents have gone to 21 cents. Cartons are \$1.85.

Stores which had not effected the raise yesterday will put up the prices today, representatives said.

The new levy is expected to bring in \$39,000,000 in State revenue for the next fiscal year.

Local store officials bemoaned a guess that "chiseling" on the new cigarette tax would be widespread.

They mentioned that some Pottstown vendors have already laid in large stocks of cigarettes purchased at the old tax price and will sell them in the future for a clear two-cent profit per pack.

One store owner predicted that importation of cigarettes from neighboring states where the bounty is less or non-existent will become increasingly large. The cost of a carton in Maryland averages \$1.45, or 40 cents cheaper than in Pennsylvania.

At a meeting of the Pottstown Clubmen's association yesterday afternoon in the Elks' home, it was decided to leave the method of levying the new beer tax up to the individual clubs.

The tax, doubled from \$1.24 to \$2.48 on every half-barrel and one-half-cent per pint, went into effect in most local clubs yesterday.

Some organizations are absorbing the tax and not raising prices. Many clubs had not decided last night what action would be taken.

The soft drink tax, imposing an impost of one cent on every 12 fluid ounces of soft drink or fraction thereof and a half-cent an ounce on syrups used in making fountain drinks, is already under attack in the courts.

The State Supreme court last week refused to grant jurisdiction in the suit and referred it to Dauphin county court.

Local soft drink dispensers were unsure of procedure on levying the tax. Many said they had received no notification from the State department of revenue and would not increase prices until definite word had been received.

A force of special auditors is reported in the field to start checking inventories of bottlers and syrup handlers to collect or require posting of bonds to cover taxes due on goods on hand.

At the same time it was reported that new tax crowns necessary under the law will not be available for at least 90 to 120 days, and the system of checking inventories will continue until they are received.

The soft drink tax will net the Commonwealth an estimated \$35,000,000.

In Harrisburg, meanwhile, administration spokesmen reported the State revenues for general governmental purposes will total approximately \$431,000,000 when final returns are all in for the two-year fiscal period expiring yesterday.

Figures showing actual liquor profits fell off approximately \$27,000,000 from estimates made last March by Gov. James H. Duff in his budget message. The liquor profits, however, (Continued on Page Eleven)

Weatherman Generous To Holiday Vacationists

Pottstownians are ready to go to work again, after a long Memorial Day weekend with just about perfect weather, starting with a clear, cold day Friday.

Saturday and yesterday were virtually cloudless, with temperatures slowly rising and reaching the mid-70s by yesterday afternoon.

The prediction for today is mostly cloudy skies, with occasional thunderstorms continuing through tonight. Tomorrow should see the sun break through again, but the weather is expected to be somewhat cooler.

ON THE MAIN DRAG
JOHN WOJCIK—having had injured fighting a fire
GEORGE SHERIDAN—attending a circus at Linfield.
AMMON REYDT—discussing July 4 celebration.
DOW I. SEARS—relating conference done in New York.
GEORGE F. SHANER—drawing through sewer line plans.
DOYLE SHEASLEY—spending holiday mowing his lawn.
ANTHONY HERMAN—admiring his newly-painted home.
WILLIAM A. GRIFFITH—getting head unburned through straw hat.
JOHN ZANGRILLI—attending a lodge session.
LESLIE THOMPSON—planting flower bulbs.

UNITY IN EUROPE SOUGHT BY U. S.

State Department Favors
Closer Economic Ties
As Basis of Financial Aid

BY JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON, June 1 (AP)—American officials are seriously considering proposals to seek some kind of economic federation of Europe as part of the huge new financial aid program now being developed at the State department.

How far such an undertaking may be practical is yet to be determined on the basis of studies now being made. But top policy makers are reported convinced that before Congress is asked to pour more billions of dollars into European relief and reconstruction, some means must be devised for bringing about the international as well as the national revival of European business.

Another source of concern among officials here is the ability of European countries to repay any additional loans the United States might make. Most seem to believe that the financial burdens already assumed by those countries are about as great as they can bear, and discussions now under way within the American Government embrace the possibility of grants as well as loans.

Some officials liken the program which they say may be necessary to wartime lend-lease. Such an arrangement, they say, could probably be justified on the argument that (Continued on Page Eleven)

Sen. White Reveals Plans to Retire

LEWISTON, Me., June 1 (AP)—The Lewiston Sun says it has received from Senator White (R-Me.) a formal statement announcing his retirement from public office.

(In Washington, the 69-year-old majority leader had declined to confirm or deny a previously published story that he would not be a candidate for re-election next year.)

"I'm not ready to talk about it," he told a reporter.

The Sun says the statement reads:

"Through the columns of the press of Maine, I now announce that long and thoughtful consideration have persuaded me that I should not seek further service in the Senate. It is early to reach such a decision, but having done so I think it wise to make it known. As a member of the national House and Senate I have found deep satisfaction in my efforts to represent and serve the people and the interests of our state. Notwithstanding political differences and such mistakes as I may have made, it is my hope that the people of Maine will believe my motives and purposes to have been worthy of them."

THE WEATHER

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Mostly cloudy with occasional showers and thunder storms today and tonight.

76 Mercury 55
Antics Low

TEMPERATURE EXTREMES
Local temperatures yesterday and early this morning were:

4 a. m.	57	4 p. m.	75
5 a. m.	56	5 p. m.	76
6 a. m.	55	6 p. m.	75
7 a. m.	55	7 p. m.	75
8 a. m.	56	8 p. m.	75
9 a. m.	57	9 p. m.	75
10 a. m.	58	10 p. m.	75
11 a. m.	59	11 p. m.	75
12 m.	60	12 p. m.	75
1 p. m.	61	1 p. m.	75
2 p. m.	62	2 p. m.	75
3 p. m.	63	3 p. m.	75
4 p. m.	64	4 p. m.	75
5 p. m.	65	5 p. m.	75
6 p. m.	66	6 p. m.	75
7 p. m.	67	7 p. m.	75
8 p. m.	68	8 p. m.	75
9 p. m.	69	9 p. m.	75
10 p. m.	70	10 p. m.	75
11 p. m.	71	11 p. m.	75
12 p. m.	72	12 p. m.	75

Mailman's Address Familiar to Sir Stork

NEW YORK, June 1 (AP)—The stork has a habit of ringing twice for this postman and his wife.

The fourth set of twins was born today to Mrs. Charles Cummo, 34, and her letter carrier husband who said:

"I guess I'll have to buy a farm." The first set of twins died but the Cummo family numbers three singletons for a total of nine living children.

It's an old story to nine-year-old Annette Marie, eldest child, who summed up the arrival of her two new sisters in a shout to a passing friend.

"Marilyn," she said, "more babies." The Cummos have been married ten years.

Graduates of Three High Schools Attend Baccalaureate Ceremonies

A total of 88 students attended baccalaureate ceremonies of their high schools last night, with choir music and sermons by ministers of nearby churches comprising the main part of the programs.

Forty-one seniors of North Coventry High school, 34 members of the graduating class of Warwick High school, and 13 upper classmen of Amity High school, with faculty members and their parents and friends, attended the pre-Commencement Day services.

The choir of St. John's Lutheran church, South Pottstown, sang for the 325 persons present in the North Coventry High school auditorium, while the pastor of St. John's, the Rev. Robert M. Lamparter, delivered his sermon on the theme, "The World or The Soul—Which?"

"The most important decision you will have to make in your life," he emphasized in his address, "will be the choice of your career, but the choice of the world or the soul—on which choice one's eternal future depends."

The opening prelude was sung by Marian Collins, followed by the processional hymn, "Beautiful Savior." Other music on the program included the choral "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones," sung by St. John's choir, and Handel's "He Shall Feed His Flock," presented by the Glee Club.

A commencement dance for the (Continued on Page Eleven)

Senator Hill (Ala.) Democratic whip and member of the labor committee who voted against the bill, commented that the collapse of the coal negotiations "will make it more difficult for the President to veto the bill, but I still think he will veto it."

The measure, as approved by a (Continued on Page Eleven)

Governor Duff Spreads Caution Against Heavy Government Debt

READING, June 1 (AP)—Governor James H. Duff today warned against excessive government debt and declared that financial collapse has been the forerunner of totalitarianism in many European countries.

The United States might be subjected to the same fate if it were hit by another depression calling for vast public expenditures and were unable to carry or redeem the national debt which at present is more than \$300 billion.

Duff said in his commencement address to 60 Albright college graduates and more than 1000 graduates on the college campus this afternoon.

Dr. Harry V. Mastels, Albright president, conferred the honorary degree, doctor of laws, on Governor Duff and also on George A. Huggins, consulting actuary of Philadelphia.

Governor Duff said that "even in Pennsylvania today when we have the highest peacetime employment in history, we are paying out in public assistance every two years the staggering sum of \$125,000,000."

This sum is augmented by Federal funds totaling about \$50,000,000, he declared. The total, \$175,000,00

Martin Certain Truman Will Sign Tax Measure

WASHINGTON, June 1 (AP)—Describing tax relief now as a bulwark against depression and inflation, Speaker Martin (R-Mass.) predicted today President Truman will sign the \$4,000,000,000 annual income tax cut scheduled for final passage in Congress this week.

100 MILLION SEEN COST OF TRUMAN PLAN

Standardizing Program In Western Hemisphere To Take Ten Years

WASHINGTON, June 1 (AP)—Official estimates put the cost of President Truman's plan for standardizing the military forces of Latin America and Canada with those of the United States at \$10,000,000 annually for ten years.

These estimates, made available to a reporter today, contemplate an expenditure of about \$4,500,000 yearly to train soldiers, sailors and airmen of the other Western Hemisphere nations in United States schools. Other phases of the program would amount for \$5,500,000.

The proposed legislation which the President sent to Congress the past Monday also would authorize this country to transfer arms, ammunition and implements of war to the 20 Latin American republics and Canada and to maintain, repair and rehabilitate their planes, tanks, guns and ships.

The other nations would be required to pay for new materials they order under the program. But for most of the American outlay, the President would be authorized to accept in payment such intangible benefits as he sees fit.

An official memorandum says that no credits need be granted to Latin American governments to purchase new arms for which cash payment would be required because "military requirements necessitate the shipment of equipment in small quantities over a period of years."

The War department calculates it has enough surplus military stocks, including such items as planes, tanks and guns, to accomplish the standardization program during the next decade.

It notes that the U. S. now is paying out more than \$5,000,000 a year to store, maintain and repair the surplus equipment earmarked for the standardization program and that this expense would be virtually eliminated after these stocks have been distributed throughout the hemisphere.

The War department says it bases its standardization planning on an estimate of each Latin American country's "capability to receive and assimilate both equipment and training." It has suggested that the standardization of the armies, navies and air forces of the hemisphere be accomplished gradually.

South Carolina Posse Nabs Two Negroes In Assault Case

RICH SQUARE, N. C., June 1 (AP)—Another attempted rape of a white girl by a Negro man was reported today near Rich Square, scene of a similar incident ten days ago which led to the arrest of Godwin (Buddy) Bush, 21-year-old Negro, who later escaped from a masked mob.

Upward of a hundred men, many of them armed, fanned out over the countryside after the girl, a recent High school graduate and a bride of two weeks, reported the alleged attack.

Two Negroes found within two miles of her home were taken into custody and promptly rushed to an undisclosed jail for safekeeping.

Sheriff J. C. Stephenson first said the two were arrested on suspicion of having helped the alleged assailant in escaping but Solicitor Ernest R. Tyler later announced one of them would be charged with attempted rape, and the other with aiding in unlawful flight.

Neither officer would give the names of the Negroes held or of the girl, a 17-year-old, involved.

The sheriff reported public feeling as "running high." The solicitor, however, said he personally took part in the chase and saw no evidence of "mob spirit."

"They were just determined to apprehend them," he said. Tyler quoted the girl as saying a Negro came to her home at Lasker about 11 p. m., knocked on the door and when she opened it grabbed her and pulled her part way out. He fled when she screamed and fainted, the solicitor said.

Bush, now held in State prison in Raleigh for safekeeping, was arrested after an alleged attack on a white stenographer.

The reason the depth of a body of water is so deceptive to human vision is that water "bends" or refracts light.

AUTO WORKERS OKAY STRIKE AT BRIGGS PLANT

Ford Company Foremen Vote to Extend Walkout; Labor Picture Darkens

DETROIT, June 1 (AP)—Strike action by more than 20,000 Briggs Manufacturing company workers was given final union approval today as 3700 Ford Motor company foremen who walked off their jobs May 21 voted to stay out.

A walkout at Briggs would close the company's eight plants in Detroit and one at Evansville, Ind. All but one of the Detroit plants produce automobile bodies for Chrysler corporation and Packard Motor company and a shutdown would have an almost immediate effect on those two producers.

Two Briggs locals of the CIO United Auto Workers voted almost unanimously here today to support a strike, subject to call by union officers. Similar action was taken by the Evansville local several days ago.

UAW-CIO officials said a walkout would not be ordered before Thursday, when a 30-day "cooling off" period expires. Negotiations on a contract dispute will be resumed Monday and a company spokesman appeared optimistic about heading off a strike.

The union accused Briggs of refusing to bargain in good faith. The company denied the charge and said its offer of a 11 1/2 cent hourly wage increase, six paid holidays and other concessions followed the pattern of settlements with other firms in the industry.

Breaking off negotiations with Briggs Tuesday, union officials said the company attempted to eliminate time and one-half pay, maintenance of membership and other contract provisions in effect at Briggs plants for years. They are seeking to retain these and also are demanding a 23 1/2 cent hourly raise.

The Ford chapter of the Foreman's Association of America called its membership meeting after Ford officials said they would not resume negotiations until the foremen go back to work.

Coupled with the ultimatum was a promise that the foremen would become eligible for a ten percent company-wide increase to salaried workers on their return.

An FAA spokesman said all but six of 3600 foremen at the meeting voted to extend the 11-day walkout. The union is demanding exclusive bargaining rights for all Ford foremen and other changes in a new contract, but wages are not an issue.

5000 SEE AIR TRAGEDY
RALEIGH, N. C., June 1 (AP)—Two men were killed instantly here today when their light plane crashed in full view of 5000 spectators at an air show dedicating Raleigh's new Civilian Air Patrol field.

Gold Star Mothers to Convene



Completing preparations for the opening tomorrow of the American Gold Star Mothers' convention at Long Beach, Calif., are (from left) Mrs. May Cushman, past national president; Mrs. Walter H. Boyd, president, and Mrs. Eugene Clair, official hostess.

Strike Is Planned By Truck Drivers

PITTSBURGH, June 1 (AP)—A city-wide disruption of freight transport was set for 7 a. m. tomorrow after two conferences failed to bridge the gap between the AFL Teamsters' demand for a 35 cents an hour pay increase and the truckers' counter-offer of 15 cents.

The meetings today were held in the office of Mayor David L. Lawrence and included representatives of the Western Pennsylvania Motor Carriers' association and Local 249, AFL Teamsters.

At a nine-hour session yesterday, the association proposed to raise wages of about 2500 drivers by 12 1/2 cents an hour with six paid holidays or 15 cents without holidays. Drivers now receive a basic rate of from \$1 to \$1.15 that offer was rejected.

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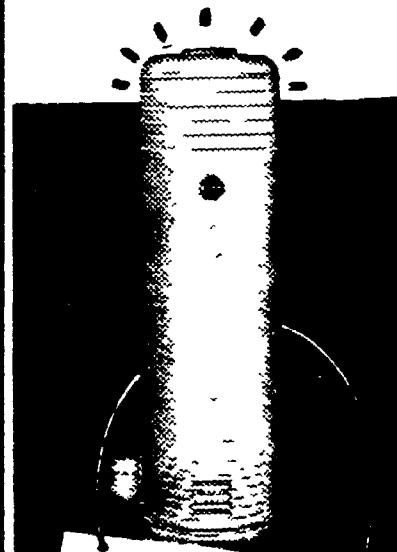
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Housing Expeditor Supports Extension of Building Curbs

By STERLING F. GREEN

WASHINGTON, June 1 (AP)—Housing Expeditor Frank R. Creedon said today that 1,038,000 new dwellings can be completed in 1947, including 760,000 permanent homes, if Federal controls are kept for "a few more months."

The statement was Creedon's first estimate on this year's housing efforts. It contained, however, no forecast of the number of new homes to be started. So far, starts have lagged behind 1946, while completions have run ahead.

The housing expeditor said 610,000 new permanent homes have been completed this year or are under construction and will be finished. Another 150,000 can be started and made ready for occupancy this year, he added, and non-permanent dwellings will add 278,000 to the total.

Meanwhile, Douglas Whitlock, chairman of the buildings products institute, opposed President Truman's reorganization plan proposing an overall housing agency. Whitlock said in a statement that the administrator would have "unlimited powers to interfere with the private building industry."

And the National Home and Property Owners foundation attacked the "guaranteed markets" plan by which the Government agrees to purchase all unsold prefabricated units at 90 percent of the market price.

"Unsold prefabricated houses are piling up in warehouses," Joseph H. Deckman, the foundation's housing chairman, declared in a statement.

"The market guarantee plan is being turned into a WPA for prefabricated manufacturers who can no longer sell their products in view of the increasing buyer resistance to the high prices and low quality of factory-built homes."

Unless the Government "stops subsidizing the prefabric industry," Deckman said, it soon will own thousands of surplus prefabs while

building materials are diverted from conventional home builders. "But the American consumer is getting wise," Deckman continued, "and is refusing to be stuck with a misplaced beach cottage with a 12x14 living room costing nearly as much as a sturdy conventional house."

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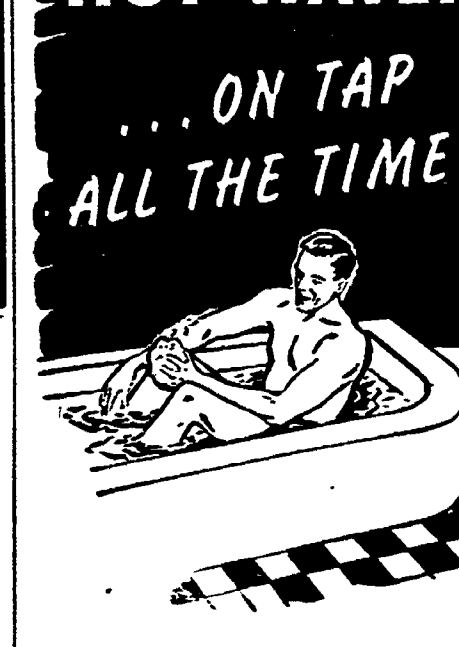
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Farm Tractor Blaze Causes \$50 Damage

Damage estimated at \$50 was caused by a blaze which started around the gasoline tank of a tractor at the Four Winds farm of the Laurel Locks Farms group.

The Good Will Fire company was summoned at 10 o'clock Saturday morning. No one was injured.

CLERGYMAN DIES

EASTON, June 1 (AP) — The Rev. Paul C. Strodach, 71, a clergyman for 46 years who formerly served pastorates in Norristown and Washington, died Friday night here where he had been serving as supply pastor of St. John Lutheran church.

Obituaries

Funeral services for **FREDERICK R. MILLER, 65 KING STREET**, husband of the late Anna W. (Davidheiser) Miller, were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral home at 139 High street, with the Rev. Luther A. Krouse, pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran church, officiating.

Interment was in Pottstown cemetery, West End, with Mahlon Frick, Howard C. Geiger, Paul Feicht, Grant Wanner, William Yerger and William Harring as bearers. They are members of Pottstown Nest 150, Fraternal Order of Orioles, of which Mr. Miller was a charter member.

MAY R. (REED) WILSON, STAR ROUTE, wife of Richard Wilson, was buried in Edgewood cemetery Saturday afternoon following funeral services at 2:30 o'clock held from a funeral home at 112 North Washington street, with Lucien Springer in charge.

Bearers were William and Donald Wilson, Melvin Grant and Earl Raymond and Harry Reed.

Airport Dedicated; Costs Six Million

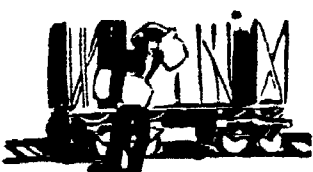
WILKES-BARRE, June 1 (AP) — At least 25,000 persons were on hand today to witness the dedication of the Wilkes-Barre Scranton Class 4 airport at nearby Avoca.

Constructed at a cost of \$6,000,000, the 720-acre airport was hailed as a connecting link with other parts of the world. Boasting three-150-foot wide runways 5000, 4500 and 4000 feet in length, the airport provides both cities with one of the largest airfields in the country.

DOG KILLED BY CAR

Police received a report that a dog owned by Grace D. Miller, Pottstown RD 1, was killed by a car yesterday on High street near Eden.

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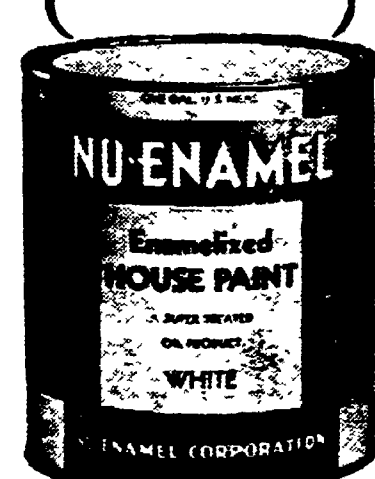
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Maneuvers Planned For U. S. Forces

WASHINGTON, June 1 (AP) — The armed forces will hold their second postwar amphibious maneuvers near Galveston, Tex., in November.

The exercises, in which elements of the Army Ground and Air Forces, the Navy and the Marines participate, will be similar to those conducted off San Clemente island, California, the past year. The joint announcement today said that "the maximum possible participation of National Guard and organized reserve headquarters units and personnel will be sought."

Overall commander will be Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, commander of the Fourth Army. Navy men and ships will be from the Atlantic fleet commanded by Admiral W. H. P. Blandy, with Rear Admiral R. O. Davis, amphibious forces commander for the Atlantic fleet, in charge of the amphibious phases.

The principal ground unit is to be combat command "A" of the Second Armored division at Camp Hood, Tex.

Aircraft will come from the Navy, Marines and Army Air Force.

The tactical problem will assume that an infantry division, operating as part of an amphibious force, has secured a beachhead. Combat command "A" will go ashore as a build-up force to support the infantry division.

Army Officials Arrest Paoli Soldier for Arson

DEVON, June 1 (AP) Robert Holland, 21, of Paoli, a soldier, has been arrested by Army authorities at the Aberdeen, Md., proving grounds and held for civil police on a charge of arson in connection with the burning of \$100,000 worth of property in the Paoli-Malvern area, State Police Corp. Robert Strahan, reports.

Strahan, attached to the Pennsylvania fire marshal's office, accuses Holland and seven other youths of setting up a succession of fires in the past two months solely for the thrill of riding fire engines and extinguishing the blazes. All but one of the youths were members of the Paoli Volunteer Fire company, Strahan reported.

The seven, ranging in age from 15 to 21, were arraigned before Justice of the Peace A. G. Severance at Berwyn Friday and lodged in Chester county jail at West Chester to await further hearing on arson charges.

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Boat Reported Stolen From River Mooring

Theft of a boat owned by Andrew Fritz, of Pottstown Landing, which had been moored in the Schuylkill river along the River road, was reported to police yesterday.

Patrolman Harry Chrusch and Special Officer Andrew Kovach investigated. Fritz said the boat was apparently taken about 11:30 o'clock yesterday morning.

PUBLISHER DIES

DOVER, Del., June 1 (AP) — Dr. William S. Straughn, part owner of the Shenandoah, Pa., Evening Herald, died today at his home here after a long illness.

POISON IVY

A U. S. GOVERNMENT BUREAU REPORT announces the discovery of a new tannic acid treatment for ivy poisoning. The treatment has been found excellent; it is gentle and safe, dries up the blisters in a surprisingly short time—often within 24 hours. These government findings are incorporated in the new product—

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Vets' Banquet Planned By St. Gabriel's Lodge

Plans for a banquet to be given servicemen members were discussed at the meeting yesterday of St. Gabriel's lodge, Stowe. The date has not yet been set.

President Peter Dori was in the chair at the well-attended session. He said considerable routine business was transacted. Eighteen were elected to membership and eight propositions were received.

Woman Charges Man With Assault, Battery

Charged with assault and battery, Ernest Faust, of 954 Walnut street, Royersford, was yesterday morning held under \$500 bail for his appearance in Montgomery county court.

He was arrested on a warrant sworn out before Justice of the Peace Richard H. Cadmus, of the Seventh ward, by Dorothy F. Heiser, of 459 Chestnut street, this borough. He was arrested at 11:30 o'clock Saturday night by Patrolman Selsie.

of the Royersford police. Bond was furnished by Faust.

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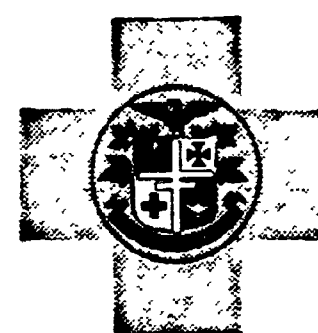
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The mechanics of the new Plan are simple. You go to the bank in which you keep a checking account. You authorize the bank to buy for you, at monthly intervals, a U. S. Savings Bond. From then on, the bank buys the Bond regularly, sends it to you, and debits your account for the purchase price.

Suppose you want to buy a \$100 E Bond every month. You simply sign a card authorizing your bank to deduct \$75 each month from your account. After that, the Bond is bought, registered in your name, and sent to you—automatically.

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MONDAY, JUNE 2, 1947

If you have great talents, industry will improve them; if but moderate ability, industry will supply their deficiencies.—S. Smiles.

Peace or Ruin. A FOUR-POINT, \$100-billion world peace proposal was offered to American businessmen by the editors of Fortune magazine.

Fortune declared: between one hand, peace with profit, and on the other, either the "Last World War" or loss of the world to Russia by default if the US suffers an economic collapse.

Fortune's proposal, addressed "To the Boards of Directors of American Business," follows: to cut prices; to encourage loans abroad; to foster imports; to send engineering missions wherever American money goes—not to control foreign industry but to make it productive.

Pointing out that three and one-half years of war cost the US people \$341 billion, Fortune contended that a \$100 billion investment now could "lease" peace for 50 years—with "renewal option"—and moreover amortize itself and begin returning profits in less than 50 years.

As a beginning Fortune suggested a 15 to 20 percent reduction in US internal prices. Admitting the reduction would be made at the expense of profits at first, Fortune maintained:

"As prices decline, purchasing power rises and, credit conditions being stable as at present they are, the volume of business rises with it. The balance is struck, not as a levy on profits, but in an area of actual profit increase—if the businessman's resourcefulness is equal to its task.

"We are talking about a long-range price policy that would engender a plenty which has never before been achieved even in the US; a plenty to be derived by constant money encouragement of research, coupled with a policy of business statesmanship whereby consumers' prices would be set on a slow downward gradient to last for a period of years."

Fortune's second proposal: "Concurrently with increasing plenty at home we must begin to export it as fast as we can." Since impoverished foreign markets cannot pay for US goods without aid, "the next step in our \$100-billion program is a series of massive US loans or grants abroad. The amount of governmental money used would depend on the willingness of private capital in the US to seize boldly on the greatest chance, the greatest venture it has ever faced.

"Manifestly, the US businessman will have to reject utterly the philosophy of that wing of the Republican party that would return to the days of high protective tariff philosophy, and instead do everything he can to foster US imports.

Finally, Fortune proposed: "Where US money goes, there should go US engineering and technical missions, to help in the most efficient spending of the sums loaned. All over the world, American dollars, American tools and machines, American engineers and supervisors have a colossal task to perform in union—not to exploit, but to build up and nurture, and not out of altruism but with an eye to the profits that come from markets made healthy."

"What are the alternatives to the 100-billion risk-and-venture proposal that we are setting forth?" Fortune asked. "As we see it, there are only two, both fatal.

"One is the Last World War—the one that will never get into the history books. The other is that Russia wins the world by default. As we see it, we have no weapon against this outcome, except plenty—manufactured and diffused from the US on a scale never before known.

"If we do not take the road to plenty for ourselves, the best economic thought is that we will instead produce an economic crash. What would ensue Russia more than to see her only adversary suddenly collapse before the world? An economic collapse in the US would leave no room for classroom debate as to which 'system' which way of life was better. We would have met and failed our test so suddenly that Moscow could scarcely have time for glee.

"But the alternative to this agony could be, and in our opinion would be, the greatest epoch in the world's history. It is the US businessman who at present holds in his hands an almost everlasting power of choice, in what he does during the next six months."

GRAMPAW OAKLEY

Editor, The Mercury. Dear Sir: I see by the papers where in Somerville, Mass., a cross flew into a living room window of a home, dropped an egg on the davenport and flew away again. It couldn't have been one of our radio comedians in disguise as those boys lay their eggs exclusively on the radio.

Green-striped alligators are reported to have been found in Africa. I hope no native ever mistakes one for a park bench.

And say, I'llers, said a Page One story in The Mercury the other day, often drive men to great achievements. Despite their ailment, it seems they have a strong stomach for work.

Hoping you are the same. GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY

READERS SAY: Freed From Shackles, We Forget Our Heroes

Letters must not be more than 250 words long on current topics and must not involve personalities. Name and address of writer must be submitted as evidence of good faith but will be withheld from publication on request. Poetry, and communications advocating the election of political candidates are not acceptable.

By MERCURY READERS

Honor Roll Not Erected. To the Editor: It has been many, many months since the town's honor roll was removed from High and Hanover streets. When it was taken away, we were told that a permanent honor roll would be erected "in the near future."

To date I not only have not seen the permanent honor roll, but I have neither read nor heard of any plans for the erection of a fitting tribute to our fighting heroes.

Can it be in these days when we are unshackled from the bonds of war that we have forgotten our soldiers and sailors already?

Many of these gave up good jobs and left their loved ones in order to bring peace to this world. It seems that every day they are being forgotten more and more.

I think the citizens of Pottstown should erect an honor roll before we forget these heroes altogether. MRS. J. K. R. Pottstown

Big Drains for Rain Water. To the Editor: While there is so much talk of better sewers, it would not be amiss not to forget larger catch basins for rain water which gushes down the gutters.

Often the water is of such quantity that it overflows on sidewalks and even into cellars of homes. This is something which should not be tolerated in a prosperous town like Pottstown. We certainly should have large enough receptacles to accommodate any amount of water.

Pottstown MRS. G. H. Y.

It's Better to Jaywalk. To the Editor: P. T. H. complained in The Mercury of May 28 that jay walking has been increasing.

Certainly it has increased, because the safest place to cross the street is in the middle of the block.

When you're in the middle you need look only two ways. When you cross at an intersection, you must look four ways at once with only two eyes.

If you're a smart pedestrian, you'll cross in the middle of the block. Pottstown WISE GUY

The Worry Clinic

By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE. SARAH G., 48, is a spinster school teacher.

"But, Dr. Crane, she spends too much money on doctors," another teacher informed me.

"Her physicians tell her she is in good health, but she seems to disbelieve them. She constantly thinks ill health instead of good health.

"And she is always taking pills or treatments for some ache or pain. One doctor told me she is a hypochondriac. Dr. Crane, why will an intelligent woman let herself become a slave to such foolishness?"

Sarah is afraid. She feels alone in the world, since her parents are dead, and she has neither a husband nor children to depend on.

Both bachelors as well as spinsters, ready to become hypochondriacs, for they are terrified by the thought, "Suppose something should happen to me in the night? What could I do? I might not be able to reach the telephone to call for aid!"

Sarah is an introvert, living alone and communing with herself. Because she dreads illness and invalidism, she takes a daily inventory of her prized possessions, including her liver and gall bladder, etc.

She is hypersensitive to tiny twinges of pain from her gall bladder or stomach, or heart or colon. A gas bubble percolating along the intestine is ignored by well-adjusted personalities, but a fearful introvert like Sarah notices the gas bubble and begins to wonder about her insides.

Soon she thinks her digestion is upset, which is obviously a negative thought. And the more she pays attention to her internal organs and abdominal sensations, the worse they seem.

In this connection, maybe some of you readers have noticed the noise of your alarm clock on a night when you were jittery or sleepless, and your attention chanced to focus on the clock.

The ticking then seemed almost like thunder. So you probably reached such a nervous state that you felt you couldn't sleep unless you got up and set the clock outside your bedroom door.

Now, actually, the mechanical ticking was no louder than on previous nights when you weren't even aware of the presence of the clock. But by focussing attention to any type of sensation, we make it appear much greater.

That's what happens to hypochondriacs. They pay attention to what is inside their bodies, whereas normally extroverted people have so many outside interests that they ignore hundreds of these tiny twinges or gas bubbles or extra heart beats.

If Sarah were the mother of several children or had grandchildren to think about as well as a husband, she wouldn't have time to notice the aches and pains that now seem so severe.

One excellent rule for happiness and good health is to turn your attention outward by developing many interests. Join societies. Take an active part in your job or church. Accept positions on committees.

An extroverted woman may have worries, too, but she frets about the church supper or how the men will like her apple pie. In short, the objects of her worry are in the external environment, not within herself. Worry is good for you if you externalize it.

It is a good practice to have a thorough medical examination at regular intervals, as once per year. But when your physician tells you your body is in good shape, then stop fretting about your health. And the only way to get one thing out of mind is to replace it with another, so force yourself among people and things positive thoughts. Rejoice in how healthy you are.

WASHINGTON Hoover Appears In Come-back Role

By RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, June 1—"Is it true that Herbert Hoover has made a come-back?" asks T. A., a San Jose, Calif., neighbor of the former President. "If so, in what way? Do you think that he has any political ambitions for himself?"

Answer: Mr. Hoover appears to have "made a come-back" in the hearts of the American people, who seem to feel that they and certain members of the Roosevelt Administration treated him too shabbily all these years.

President Truman's attempt to right this wrong, and to use the Californian's peculiar abilities in food relief work, reflects this feeling of regret and remorse.

In a sense, Mr. Hoover also has come back, politically speaking. Leaders of the Congress and the party frequently turn to his tower in the Waldorf-Astoria hotel for advice. It was his report, as well as his personal and political suggestions, that influenced House bosses to adopt the Senate resolution providing more generous funds for the so-called "liberated countries."

Herbert Hoover

KEYNOTE: He also persuaded the Martin-Halleck group to pass a deficiency bill restoring \$300,000,000 for the feeding of Germany. He spoke as a humanitarian as well as a politician. He pointed out that, if Communism swept through Germany and other European countries because of Republican niggardliness, the Democrats would blow the fact into an explosive issue in the 1948 campaign.

In another respect has Mr. Hoover gained political stature. For years the GOP-ers did not want him to attend national conventions or to participate in political battles. Now, there is talk of asking him to keynote the Philadelphia convention next year. He will also be asked to deliver at least one address during the campaign.

He has no ambitions for office. I think his sole desire is the restoration of the Republican Party to executive power on a sound, conservative platform. Under such circumstances, he undoubtedly would become the "Barney Baruch" of a GOP Administration.

VETO: O.W.F. of Wausau, Wis., chides the writer for reporting in a recent question-and-answer column that the United Nations Charter would not have been ratified by the Senate, and that the U.S. would not have become a member of U.N., if the provision for a veto had not been incorporated. He maintains that, even if it meant Russian withdrawal, the international organization should operate under majority rule.

Answer: Many people agree with G.W.F. and "some day there may be a move to adopt his suggestion. But the unavoidable fact is that, without the veto, neither the United States nor Russia would have signed up. And the resulting world would have been more spineless than the ill-fated League of Nations, due to American and Russian failure to join that world society.

DEITY: O.W.F. who suggests that the writer "read the Book of Revelations," complains because there is no mention of the Deity in the U.N. Charter. He is bitter because he regards the omission as an attempt to "placate or appease" Russia.

Answer: There was no mention of the Deity because many other nations—China, India, Siam, etc.—have other religions. The nations were forming a worldly rather than a religious organization.

Although Representative Charles A. Eaton of New Jersey is a Baptist minister (a fact he does not mention in the Congressional Directory, by the way), he voiced no complaint. He was a delegate to the San Francisco conference.

O.W.F. may also recall that there is no reference to the Deity in the Constitution of the United States, which was framed almost 140 years before the Bolshevik Revolution.

??? "You seem to be a Democrat," adds my correspondent, "who can't see any other way of solving world problems except as Roosevelt, Truman or Marshall suggest."

Thanks. But the same mail brought this postcard from Columbus, Ohio:

"From reading your column in our local paper, I am happy to believe that you are a real rugged Republican."

HUSH: "From reading reports of the trial of Kenneth Romney, former House Sergeant-at-Arms," writes R.A.V. of Harrisburg, Pa., "I understand that he reported a \$25,000 theft of House funds to the late Speaker Bankhead as far back as 1938. One article said that Mr. Bankhead told him to hush up the matter for fear it would hurt the Democrats in that off-year election. Another said that 'higher authorities' ordered Speaker Bankhead to suppress the news. What is the real story?"

Answer: The testimony was that Romney notified Bankhead, and that nothing was made public or done. Whether the late Speaker consulted "higher authorities" and was told to keep still, did not come out.

The prosecution would have developed the whole of the testimony in detail if it wanted to. The reasons for this failure are obvious. The Department of Justice is manned by Democrats.

TIN: "What has become of the tin-reclaiming plants erected at considerable expense during the war?" queries H.J. of Troy, N.C. "Was the operation successful, all things considered from a financial and individual effort angle? Would such an operation be practical in normal times?"

Answer: Some plants have been sold, and others are for sale. The operation was hardly a success, for the reason of tin and not using the effort or cost. Therefore, it is not feasible in normal times. Like many other "save something" drives, the tin can collection campaign was important largely for its psychological effect.

THE PRISONER'S "SONG"



Bridge

By SHEPARD BARCLAY

Vital in Small Slam. AMONG ALL the known plays, there is only one which is useful for making a small slam contract, but worthless for aiding in a grand slam. That is the throw-in play.

Making it necessitates giving up a trick to the defender whom you wish to furnish the lead that then produces for you a trick you otherwise could not get. But that very trick you hand to him would obviously beat a grand slam. The play, in its various forms, is vital, however, to the making of many small slam contracts.

Bridge

By JIMMIE FIDLER. HOLLYWOOD, June 1—Wherever one goes in Hollywood, now that theater attendance is on the wane, he hears the mighty moguls of Movieville trying to solve a riddle—precisely what kind of picture does the public want?

In my opinion, that riddle will never be solved. It can't be, because it is based on an erroneous assumption. There is not, never has been, and never will be one movie audience. Rather, there are many, overlapping, audiences and the pictures which please one are not necessarily pleasing to another. Both the producers, constantly in search of a magic formula that will be universal box office magic, and the research experts they hire in order to assay audience tastes, seem to be blind to that apparent fact.

A picture doesn't need to please all the different audiences in order to be a box office hit. It can gross millions if it merely pleases one of the many audiences. Only five pictures in all movie history have grossed more than \$5,000,000, which means that only five have been seen by more than approximately 12,000,000 people.

Time and again, I've heard producers argue, for instance, that pictures with religious themes don't please "the public," and augment that argument by contending that if a religious theme inadvertently creeps in, it must be soft-pedaled in exploitation. Yet there are far more millions of people going to church in the United States each Sunday than there are people who regularly go to theaters. Isn't that audience enough to show a profit?

IDOL CHATTER: If I had more nerve, I'd sneak a snapshot of Claudette Colbert's other profile, and try to find out why her career has been so one-sided. Terse description of Ruth Warrick's off-the-shoulder evening gowns: Low and Be-hold... Virginia Bruce's hobby has novelty appeal at least: she collects horseshoes worn by famous racers... Random thought: What better address for Gregory Peck than the intersection of Gregory Way and Peck Drive in Beverly Hills?

Credit Marilyn (Miss America) Buford with one notable distinction: she's the only Hollywood gal on record who's consistently refused party invitations from multi-millionaire Howard Hughes... Height-of-something-or-other: J. Carroll Nash's new plastic saddle perfectly moulded to fit his nether anatomy... Newcomer Taffy Poulson hails from Iceland—but there's nothing icy about her personality... Add men-who-play-safe: Ed Gardner, who carries a St. Christopher's medal (Catholic), a mazausa (Jewish), and a lucky coin (non-denominational).

Eugene Ormandy, conductor of the New York Symphony, is playing a role in RKO's "Memory of Love"—and thereby hangs an irony. Maestro Ormandy is famous for his remarkable memory for music, and has been known to conduct hour-long concerts without having a copy of the score on his conductor's stand. In "Memory of Love" he was given seven lines of dialogue—and had such difficulty in memorizing them that some of his scenes required from five to 15 takes!

North and South into the safe heart grand slam here instead of the spade contract that can be beaten by a heart lead?

Tomorrow's Problem

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In Retrospect

50 Years Ago

June 2, 1897. RUN-AWAY—A team belonging to W. K. Landis of Steelton, who is moving his household goods to North Coventry, ran away on South Hanover street and threw Landis from the wagon.

THIEVES—Thieves visited Emanuel Schurr's henry and milk house, near Linfield. They secured about 15 chickens. The same night, Oliver Dunlap's ham-mock was stolen from his porch.

WON'T RETURN—Prof. Edward W. Evans Jr., one of the instructors at the High school, who left some weeks ago, will not return, owing to ill health. He is at Brooklyn, N. Y.

25 Years Ago

June 2, 1922. RUN DOWN — Harvey Diener, of Swamp, was struck by the automobile of H. A. Gangloff, of Elizabethtown, at High and Hanover streets. The severely injured man was rushed to Pottstown hospital in an ambulance.

RUN-AWAY—Residents of North York street were provided with excitement when the three-horse team of William H. Moser, of this borough, ran away.

NEW HOME—John P. Oister is erecting a bungalow on North Keim street, north of Edgewood cemetery. The work on the dwelling was begun this week.

10 Years Ago

June 2, 1937. VISITED—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Rutter, 940 High street, visited their son, Edward, in New York City.

RETURN—Dr. and Mrs. F. F. Myers, 1003 High street, and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Fleischer, Trout apartments, have returned from a week's vacation in Bermuda.

ANNIVERSARY—Mr. and Mrs. Byron F. VanHorn, 331 North Evans street, are being congratulated today on their 20th wedding anniversary.

Voice of Broadway

By DOROTHY KILLGALLEN

Jottings in Pencil

ONE of Broadway's top teenage legit stars is getting an early start towards the poor house. He keeps plunging at the racetrack and losing. After a very bad run of luck last week he purloined and pawned his mother's diamond ring so he could place further bets. Didn't want to redeem the ring, either; but mom convinced him better or there'd be you-know-what to pay... Powers model Veronica Compton, formerly a Howard Hughes heart interest, will marry a wealthy Spaniard as soon as her divorce comes through.

Funnies moment in the forthcoming "The Ghost and Mrs. Muir" occurs when Gene Tierney types a four-letter word dictated to her by Rex (Ghost) Harrison. Preview witnesses how helplessly, but the Johnston office evidently didn't get the message at all... Mae West's steady is a wrestler named Vincent Lopez, no relation to the maestro... Gene Wilk, daughter of Jimmy Cromwell, will make the front cover of the August 7 edition of a national magazine with a party shell toss in Arlington, Va.

Rudy Vallee, who wants such a tremendous salary for night club work that no New York cafe boss has been able to Get It Up as yet, did a full 45 minute show for free Sunday night at Leon & Eddie's—sang song after song, told millions of jokes, organized a community sing and fractured the not-so-innocent by-biters. Then, after he was through, he went back to his table and kept yelling requests for other visiting celebs. Fashion note: Rudy no longer drinks pink champagne; he's now devoted to the pale beige, or even-as-you-and-I variety.

Tricia Hurst, the glamor-girl writer, is living alone in the Village after tiff with her wealthy Park Avenue mama... The Wally Wangers (Corinne Anderson) are knitting tiny garments... John Carradine, who can't go to the Coast (legal difficulties), will make a film in Wisconsin.

Herbert Hoover is being wooed for a network commentator job... The current fashions are playing havoc with movie company "backlogs"... "Longer length" dresses, which have been accepted by New York women (which means the nation ultimately), have dated a lot of unreleased films... Bill Holmes won the prize in the two-day scavenger hunt given by Giac Casale. He located such difficult-to-get items as a 1932 telephone directory, a 1932 license plate, and a player piano scroll of the song "Buffalo Girl."

How whimsical can you get? Baby Lake, one of the Latin Quartet cuties, is married to a jockey and their child is named Poni. (!!!)... Wait Kuhn's portrait of Bert Lahr in his first act "Burlesque" costume and make-up is a dream... And Kuhn is the artist who never has been known to accept a portrait commission. On exhibit at Durand-Ruel... Clifton Webb has fallen in love with California and he and mom will spend most of their time there from now on.

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ALL AROUND THE TOWN June's Pearl Month... Many Are Cultured...

IT'S JUNE — The pearl, "queen of the gems," and sacred to Venus, goddess of love and beauty, is the birthstone for June. It is the symbol of modesty and purity, associated with innocent young love and with brides, and in jewelry is often combined with the "king of gems," the diamond... Pearls are formed inside the shells of certain mollusks or shell-fishes. Although they are found in many kinds of mollusks including the oyster, clam, mussel, conch, and abalone, the main source of fine pearls is the inedible pearl oyster found in salt water.

USUALLY pearls are white or creamy, though they also may be tinged with rose, yellow, purple, green, blue, brown, bronze, and black. Contrary to common belief, a black pearl, although valuable, is not as expensive as a fine white pearl. Generally a pearl is one of five shapes — spherical, pear-shaped, baroque, button, and blister.

COMPARATIVELY soft, pearls must be guarded against surface scratches, and they must be properly cared for to guard them against the effects of acids, perspiration and age. Proper care of pearls, wiping them off after each wearing, having them checked occasionally, will help to preserve these beautiful jewels. With such care, your great granddaughter may someday enjoy them! Fine pearls have been found for many years in the Persian Gulf, off the coast of India, Ceylon, Australia, Japan, and in the Red Sea. Fresh water pearls are found in Europe, Great Britain, Canada, and the United States.

SINCE FINE natural pearls are rare and expensive, ways have been developed to simulate or reproduce their beauty in less expensive forms. One of these is the cultured pearl. A cultured pearl is produced when an irritation, usually a mother-of-pearl bead, is deliberately inserted into an oyster, is then placed in controlled growing conditions until it has deposited layers of natural pearl on the bead. Simulated or imitation pearls are made in several ways, but most are either hollow spheres of glass coated with a pearly fish scale paste and filled with white wax to achieve the desired weight, or made of opalescent glass.

PEARLS are judged for their shape, luster and size. A perfectly spherical, finely translucent pearl is the most valuable. The weight of pearls is measured in grains, one grain being equal to one-fourth of a carat, or 50 milligrams. The price increases proportionately more rapidly than the size. For example, a two grain pearl would be four times the price of a single grain pearl of equal quality. Matched pearls sold together command a higher price and therefore would be more expensive than an equal number of unmatched pearls. The pearl is believed to have been the first gem used in personal adornment, and has been popular for more than 4000 years. Every country's crown jewels displays its share of glowing lustrous pearls.

YOUR HEALTH

By HERMAN N. RUNDESEN, M. D.

A PERSON who becomes ill through eating certain foods which are harmless to others is said to have a food allergy. For instance, strawberries, a great delicacy for most people, cause a certain food break out in an itching, burning rash. Another person, eating food to which he happens to be over-sensitive, may develop symptoms affecting the stomach or bowels. This is known as a gastro-intestinal allergy.

According to Dr. Robert Chobot, of New York, in some cases, the patient may react within a period of 15 minutes to one hour. In other cases, a period of as much as three days may elapse before symptoms may develop.

Dr. Chobot also believes that if a child has a food sensitivity, it usually lasts until he is about five years of age and then, for some reason or another, tends to disappear.

In the infant, gastro-intestinal allergy usually is responsible for such things as colic, vomiting, and pains in the abdomen. The foods which most often produce the trouble are milk, eggs and wheat products.

It is occasionally possible, in cases of children sensitive to milk, to overcome the symptoms by giving evaporated milk, since heating seems to alter the protein part of the milk in such a way that it no longer produces trouble.

In other instances, it may be necessary to employ some milk substitute, such as a preparation made from soy beans. When a

SCHLIPF COUPLE —

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housework and goes out once a week to clean for another family. They live alone in their house at 852 Queen street.

The couple has three children, eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren. Most of the family was on hand yesterday to enter into the quiet celebration of an anniversary few are privileged to see.

Of the future, the pair confessed to no plans.

"We're just going to go on living the way we are now," they said.

FRENCH BAKERS TO STRIKE

PARIS, June 1 (AP) — Four thousand members of the French Union of Bakery Workers voted today to strike for 48 hours starting tonight in protest against refusal of their employers to grant wage increases amounting to \$12.45 a month.

Retires

ELWOOD C. MILLER

Bell Worker Ends 29 Years Service

Elwood C. Miller, of 242 N. Charlotte street, local plant department employee of the Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania, retired on pension last Saturday after 29 years in the telephone industry.

He was honored by Bell company officials and co-workers last week at a luncheon held at the Laurel Locks restaurant.

Mr. Miller started with the telephone company here in February, 1918. Transferred to the Phoenixville plant department in 1930, he returned here in June, 1939.

He served in Puerto Rico during the Spanish-American war and later served an enlistment in the regular Army from 1900 to 1903. He is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the United Spanish War Veterans, the Moose, Odd Fellows and Foresters.

SENIORS' TRIP —

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the White House will be visited. Still on the second day, a trip to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and Mount Vernon—the home and tomb of Washington—will be made.

Friday morning will find the group visiting the Department of Justice, the National Gallery of Art and the Smithsonian Institute. The group will then be given time to shop for souvenirs and take a final look at the city.

The trip back to Pottstown will be made entirely by train, and the group will arrive back here Friday night at 9:35 o'clock.

Yellowstone National Park has a cliff 2000 feet high made up entirely of petrified forests and volcanic debris.

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ACCIDENTS —

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right side of the taxicab. The entire right side of the sedan was badly damaged while the front of the truck also was damaged. Damage is estimated by police at several hundred dollars.

No one was hurt in the crash.

Howard was said by police to have leaped from the truck seat, but he was apprehended later. The truck allegedly had been taken from its parking place at Walnut and Warren streets.

A Spring City man was slightly injured Saturday night at 9:30 o'clock when the car he was driving hurtled off Route 63 in Parkersburg at the corner of Linfield road and struck a tree in the yard of the property of Newton Reinour after ripping through a roadside

hedge.

The report of Devon State police, who investigated the accident, was unavailable last night. Witnesses of the crash said the car failed to take a curve and turned over after leveling a tree in the Reinour yard.

The driver, Eugene H. Koffroth, of New street and Schuylkill road, Spring City, was hauled from the wreckage in an unconscious condition.

He was taken to Memorial hospital in a Good Will ambulance driven by Herbert Quinter. The victim was treated for shock and two black eyes and admitted. He will be X-rayed today to determine possible further injuries.

The ruined auto, which almost hit the Reinour porch in its uncontrolled dash, was towed from the scene to a nearby garage.

State police were pursuing the car

for alleged speeding when the crash occurred.

A two-car crash occurred at 5:50 o'clock last night on West High street near Pottsgrove Manor. No one was injured, but both cars were damaged.

Patrolman Harold E. Hahn, who investigated, reported that a car operated by Richard K. Brubaker, of Reading, was proceeding west on High street while a sedan owned by William Bartoli, of 410 Lincoln avenue, and operated by James Bartoli, of 109 Warwick Settlement, was going east. The latter vehicle was said by police to have made a left turn to go into the road at the manor, in front of the Brubaker car.

The entire front of the Brubaker automobile was badly damaged while the Bartoli car had the right rear fender, bumper and right front wheel damaged.

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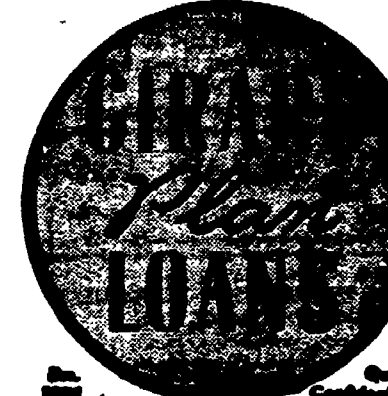


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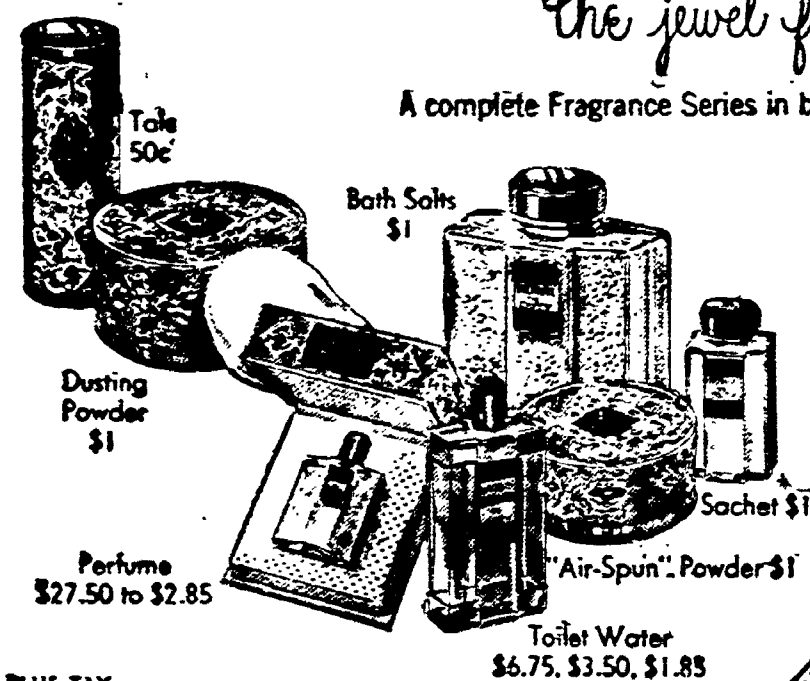
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Sunday School Sets Date for Outing; Leaders Selected

The annual Sunday school outing of St. John's Lutheran church will be held at Pine Waters, near Lochachville, Saturday, July 12. Rain date will be July 19.

The event will replace the Sunday school's participating in the now-extinct annual Sunday school picnic, which was held at Bah's grove, along the Englewood road. Sponsored co-operatively by all churches of the town, it became a war casualty a number of years ago.

In its boom days, the picnic was a kind of general home-coming day for Boyertownians, and thousands flocked to the grove. Games and a band concert in both the afternoon and evening were highlights.

Committees for the Lutheran picnic were named and will meet next Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the main Sunday school room. They are transportation—Irvin R. Graff, Olive Reichert, Melvin C. Schaeffer, Mrs. Daniel H. Zuber and Mrs. Herbert F. Steltz; refreshments—Irvin G. Eisenhard, Harry Mellinger, LeRoy Erb, Abner Clemmer, Howard A. G. Miller, Robert Horn, Henry Groff, Richard Nagel, Samuel W. Weiss, Mrs. Lloyd Tabor, Mrs. Aaron K. LeFevre, Mrs. Lloyd Lukens, Mrs. Harry Mellinger, Mrs. Irvin G. Eisenhard, Helen D. Johnson, Mrs. Herbert Schultz, Mrs. Effenger M. Erb, Mrs. James Krause, Mrs. Howard D. Fegley, Dorothy Ruppert, Esther Renninger, Mrs. Walter W. Davidheiser, Mrs. Arthur Hunsberger, Mrs. Walter A. Yergler and Mrs. Russell Geiger.

Games—Edwin Eisenhard, Edna Mecherly, Ruth Ennes, Mrs. Edwin Eisenhard, Gerald Kochel, Mrs. Russell Hollowbush, Mrs. Russell Croll, Sara Rose, Bernice Moyer, Charles Erb Jr., Mrs. Titus L. Johnson, Charles Brendlinger, Durrell Blank, David W. Longacre and Mrs. Laverne Herbst; program—Gordon

MEETINGS

Outdoor meeting of Ladies' Aid society of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church on lawn of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel B. Boyer Sr., Mt. Pleasant, West Philadelphia avenue, tonight at 6:30 o'clock.

Rotary club tonight at 6:30 o'clock in Boyer Towne inn. Speaker, Paul W. Tibbets, chief probation and parole officer of Berks county; subject, "Probation Procedure in Berks County." Chairman, Ralph C. Body, Safety patrol of grade schools will be special guests.

Troop 1, Boy Scouts, in St. John's Lutheran church tonight at 7 o'clock.

Boy Scouts of Troop 3 tonight at 7 o'clock in Church of the Good Shepherd, Evangelical and Reformed.

Drum and bugle corps of Charles B. Yergler post 471, American Legion, tonight at 8 o'clock in Legion home.

Camp 104, POS of A. tonight at 8 o'clock in lodgeroom in Keystone Fire company.

Boyerstown borough council tonight in Town hall at 8 o'clock.

Bible Class Sponsors Variety Program

A variety program will be sponsored by members of the Young Peoples Bible class of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church tomorrow night at 6:30 o'clock in Boyer Towne inn. Harry Mauger, Jr. will be master of ceremonies. The class is observing song night at this occasion.

Rose, Mrs. Luther H. Schmoyer, Earl H. Keim, Clyde R. Wert, Mrs. Lawrence D. Kohler, Helen B. Gottshall and Elmira Mauger.

Berks Grand Jury Assails Conditions at County Institution

Lawrence E. Drumheller, 411 East Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown, was foreman of the June Grand jury which submitted a report regarding management at Berks county home. It was presented to Judge Warren K. Hess, after an inspection of county institutions.

The report, signed by 18 of the 19 members of the grand jury, urged "new management with a farmer to run the farm and a manager for the home, as well as more help."

The report stated that the jurors "found the cattle in better condition than the inmates" at the County Home.

"The place needs a real house cleaning from top to bottom," the report continued. "We would say the inmates could be made more comfortable if they had clothing suitable and easy to be cared for. We found several mental patients in this institution and would also like to have this corrected."

Drumheller told Judge Hess that William F. Rathman, of First ward, Reading, refused to sign the report because Rathman stated that he was not familiar with working conditions at the home.

Other findings and recommendations of the grand jury: Berks County prison — conditions "very good, outside of some paint needed in the bakery and the kitchen." Recommended railing leading to supply cellar and mats for the shower room.

Berks County sanatorium — "everything in very good condition, but what is needed . . . is a new chapel and nurses quarters." Also additional help.

Boys Home — management "seems to be good." Twenty boys were found quartered there. The Grand jury urged that a new boys home be built.

The jury passed on 60 bills of indictment and found 66 true bills and ignored three of the cases. In addition to Drumheller, the foreman, consisted of seven women and 11 men.

Service Mothers Donate Food, Books to Hospital

Four members of Boyertown Service Mothers, Wives, and Sisters, entertained patients at Valley Forge General hospital, Phoenixville, recently.

The local group provided 350 sandwiches, relishes, and 13 layer cakes. They were met in Pottstown by the Salvation Army mobile canteen, which carried them to the hospital and provided the party with coffee and 60 dozen doughnuts.

The local club also donated 50 books, which were the gift of people from the community.

Those making the trip were Mrs. Rose Landis, Mrs. Bessie Diehl, Mrs. Mabel Berk, and Mrs. Sophie Miller.

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DEATHS - FUNERALS

Funeral services for MRS. MARGARET N. (GAUL) HEFFNER, wife of John B. Heffner, COLEBROOK-DALE (BOYERTOWN RD 2), were held Saturday at 1:30 p. m. from a funeral home at 124 West Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown. The deceased was a victim of an automobile accident on the Pottstown-Layfield road Saturday, May 24.

Continued services were held in St. John's Lutheran church, where the pastor, the Rev. David F. Longacre, officiated. The Rev. Melvin Dill, pastor of First Presbyterian church, Bloomsbury, N. J., assisted.

Burial was made in Fairview cemetery, Boyertown. Bearers were two sons-in-law: Earl Goodoff and Wilmer F. Alles, and four brothers-in-law: James, Ralph, Charles and Donald Heffner.

Borough Man Held On Assault Charge

Robert Schanely, aged 21, was arrested Saturday night on charges of disorderly conduct and assaulting an officer in two instances, at his home, 31 North Chestnut street, Boyertown.

The arrest climaxed a series of incidents which began when Patrolman Grant M. Groff received a phone call which said that a man was lying at Fourth street, near the Reading company bridge between Chestnut and Washington streets.

Groff investigated and found Schanely there. He proceeded to take him home and upon arrival it is alleged that Schanely turned upon Groff and struck him several times.

Patrolman William H. S. Moyer was summoned to assist and Schanely bit Moyer on the right wrist and index finger. Schanely was placed in the borough lock-up and released yesterday morning by Justice of the Peace J. Robert Chittick on \$300 bail, for a hearing on the disorderly conduct charge later this week. Patrolman Groff is prosecutor on that count.

The charge of assaulting an officer is a misdemeanor and will go to Berks county court. Chief of Police Arthur B. Heere is prosecutor on the assault charges.

Boyerstown Quarrel Heads for Convention

Four Boyertown persons have left by train for the Rotary International convention in San Francisco from June 8 to June 13, and two others will leave Friday by plane.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Frank Hafer and Mr. and Mrs. William B. Keely left the past Friday from Philadelphia on the Rotary Special. Hafer is official club delegate from Boyertown. His son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Hafer, the alternate delegate, will leave from Reading airport Friday.

The train party arrived in Chicago last night. The tour will take in sightseeing from Banff, a visit to Lake Louise, and a trip through the Canadian Rockies. The Rotarians and their families will arrive in Seattle by ship. From there they will go by train to the convention city.

Children's Day Program Arranged in Church

Children's Day will be observed in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church Sunday.

Jacob A. Longacre, a son of the Rev. and Mrs. David F. Longacre, a student at Haverford college, will be speaker in the Main department. His topic will be "And Who is my Neighbor?" His talk will stress the needs of children of other lands.

The nursery, beginners and primary departments will have opening devotions with the Adult Bible class.

Slippery Raccoon Eludes Firemen To Keep Freedom

A pet raccoon, on a travelling spree since the past Wednesday last night proved too tough for even the Keystone Fire company.

The ring-tailed little animal, owned by Edward Mackey, of 51 South Chestnut street, which has been roaming house-tops in the vicinity of Third and Chestnut streets for four days, was finally cornered last night.

Secure in the leafy seclusion of his natural habitat, the furry little animal "holed up" there and awaited developments.

They were not long in coming. The Keystone Fire company, summoned as a last ditch resort, threw ladders and a spotlight into the chase and in no time hands were laid on the fugitive.

Many of the scores of observers who witnessed the bring-em-back-alive hunt concluded that the chase was over. The 'coon, however, had other ideas.

Throwing his considerable weapons into the battle, the determined fish-eater fought his way free and has not been seen since.

Mackey, the owner, whose cajolery and blandishments were insufficient to woo the animal back to his custody and the refinements of civilization, is unsure of the next step in the pet's capture.

Class to Celebrate Tenth Anniversary

Class of 1937 of Boyertown High school will hold its tenth anniversary reunion with a banquet in Boyer Towne inn Saturday night at 7 o'clock.

Guldin G. Yoder, head of the commercial department of the school, will be chief speaker. About 90 members and guests are expected to attend.

Officers of the class are Eugene Groff, president; Alvin C. Dill Jr., vice president; Fern V. Weller, secretary, and Ethel Schultz Martin, treasurer.

Students to Present Recital Tomorrow

Expression pupils of Evelyn E. Shelly will present their Spring recital tomorrow night in St. John's Lutheran church at 8 o'clock.

A program of readings and plays will be given by: Marjorie and Judy Rollman, Bonnie Fronheiser, Phyllis Brooke, Dolores Astheimer, Barbara Fronheiser, Carl Harner, Donald Brooke, Ariene Moser, Louise Benfield, Joyce Bohn, Rosalie Brooke, Frances Mauger, Red A. Frain, Daniel Ritter, Barbara Baldwin, Marjorie Casseberry, Mary Joan Czarick, Bernice Shaw and Joanne Banks.

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There isn't an unlimited supply of the freezers, as yet, but prompt delivery can be made of those sold at once, according to Mr. Dunmire.

The model on display is an 11-cubic-foot chest type, which both freezes and stores, and holds approximately 385 pounds of food at a time. The freezer is handsomely designed with smooth, rounded corners free of cracks and crevices that would complicate housekeeping. The big single lid is a "floating" type, spring counter balanced, which requires no effort to lift and cannot slam shut.

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The 11-cubic-foot International Harvester freezer is to be followed soon by freezers of smaller capacity and upright refrigerators of both conventional and two-temperature design.

Hours Are Changed For Guest Service At Mansion House

A change of service hours for dinner guests has been announced by the management of the Mansion House hotel in West Chester, the new hours becoming effective the past Saturday night.

Dinner will be served from 5:30 p. m. to 8:30 p. m. on weekdays which will give guests a half-hour later service, and on Sunday from 12 noon to 8 p. m.

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CHURCH CALENDAR

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Grace, the Rev. Ans. S. Wohlsen, pastor. Today, 7:30 p. m., Boy Scouts. Tomorrow, 7:30 p. m., Senior class meeting. Thursday, 6:30 p. m., Church choir; 7 p. m., Sunday school board; 8 p. m., vestry meeting. Friday, 4 p. m., Junior choir.

St. James, Dr. Gustave W. Weber, pastor. Today, 7 p. m., Boy Scouts. Tomorrow, 6:30 p. m., Women's Missionary society picnic at the home of Mrs. Gustave Weber, 349 Rohland street; in case of rain, it will be held at the church. Wednesday, 8 p. m., Church council at the home of John Tyson, 212 Rosedale drive. Thursday, 8 p. m., Chancel choir.

Emmanuel, the Rev. Luther A. Krouse, pastor. Today, 6 p. m., Altmen class meeting at Sunnyside; 8 p. m., Church council. Wednesday, 12:30 p. m., Mite society covered dish luncheon at the church. 2:30 p. m., Mite society meeting. Thursday, 7:45 p. m., Jesse Cronk meeting in the Sunday school rooms.

Transfiguration, the Rev. Theodore L. Fischer, pastor. Today, 7 p. m., Athletic association. Wednesday, 8 p. m., Junior choir; 4:30 p. m., Chapel choir; 8 p. m., Sunday school association.

St. John's, South Pottstown, the Rev. Robert M. Lamparter, pastor. Tomorrow, 7 p. m., High school choir; 8 p. m., Senior choir. Wednesday, 8:30 p. m., Children of the church. Friday, 6:30 p. m., Junior choir.

St. Peter's, Stowe, the Rev. Kenneth R. Anderson, pastor. Today, 7 p. m., Girl Scouts; 7:30 p. m., Boy Scouts. Tomorrow, 8 p. m., Ladies Bible class. Wednesday, 8 p. m., picnic committee. Thursday, 8 p. m., choir rehearsal; 8 p. m., vestry meeting.

METHODIST
First, the Rev. Horace N. Oleveller, pastor. Today, 7 p. m., Boy Scouts. Tomorrow, 4 p. m., Brownie Girl Scouts; 6:30 p. m., Girl Scouts. Wednesday, 7:45 p. m., midweek service; 8:30 p. m., Children's choir; 7:30 p. m., Chapel choir; 7:45 p. m., Women's society of Christian service out-of-doors meeting at the home of Mrs. Frank Seidts in Sanatoga. Friday, 8 p. m., Chancel choir.

BAPTIST
First, the Rev. Delaine E. Story, pastor. Today at 8 p. m., Pictorial class at home of Mrs. Amos B. Ziegler. Limerick. Tomorrow, 6:30 p. m., Bluebird class anniversary dinner at Clover Leaf restaurant. Wednesday, 8 p. m., Christian Endeavor society picnic; 6:45 p. m., deaconesses meeting in church. Thursday, 7:45 p. m., Fellowship Hour. Friday, 4 p. m., Missionary society meeting on Parsonage lawn.

UNITED BRETHREN
Salem Evangelical, the Rev. W. H. Kauler, pastor. Tomorrow, 8 p. m., Pastors class meeting at the home of Ivan Moser, 54 Seesh street. Thursday, 8 p. m., Ladies Aid meeting at the home of Lorin Ellis, 538 Spruce street.

REFORMED
St. John's, the Rev. Paul C. Scheffer, pastor. Wednesday, 8 p. m., choir rehearsal. Friday, 7:30 p. m., consistory meeting.

St. Paul's, Stowe, the Rev. Paul C. Scheffer, pastor. Thursday, 7:30 p. m., Busy Workers.

Zion's, the Rev. Howard A. Kosman, pastor. Today at 8 p. m., consistory meeting at home of Charles Stout, 695 North Hanover street. Tomorrow, 7:45 p. m., Mothers' club. Wednesday, 2:30 p. m., Junior choir. Friday, 8 p. m., choir rehearsal.

Trinity, the Rev. John B. Frantz, pastor. Today at 4 p. m., Brownie Scouts; 7:30 p. m., Boy Scouts; 8 p. m., church consistory; 9 p. m., music committee meeting. Tomorrow, 7:30 p. m., Sunday school; 8 p. m., church control; 8 p. m., Church Extension society; 8 p. m., meeting of vacation church school leaders with Miss Beatrice Weaver. Wednesday, 8 p. m., Improvement fund finance committee. Thursday, 2:30 p. m., Ladies Aid society. Friday, 2:30 p. m., Chancel, Junior and Senior choirs.

OTHER CHURCHES
Assembly of God Tabernacle, the Rev. Forrest T. Nelson, pastor. Wednesday, 7:45 p. m., prayer meeting.

Christian and Missionary Alliance chapel, the Rev. W. H. Dickinson, pastor. Thursday, 2 p. m., women's prayer meeting; 8 p. m., prayer and Bible study. Saturday, 7 p. m., prayer meeting.

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A smile of thanks is given Francis Cardinal Spellman by little "George," 4½, the 1500th child for whom a foster home has been found in New York since the prelate inaugurated a "foster home" campaign two years ago. The youngster will remain in his present home while his mother convalesces from a long illness.

Pilotless Navy Plane Crashes at Show

PHILADELPHIA, June 1 (AP)—A pilotless Navy "drone" plane crashed before thousands of spectators at the final session of the Philadelphia World Air show today at Northeast airport during a demonstration of radio-controlled flight. No one was injured.

Two civilian parachutists, however, were injured slightly while participating in a ten-man jump from a transport at 10,000 feet.

A Navy spokesman said the small, single engine drone launched from a catapult was headed into a spin by its ground controller at 1300 feet in an experiment aimed at showing how readily it could be restored to horizontal flight. It failed to pull out of the spin and dropped badly damaged to the infield between the airport runways, the spokesman said, adding it was to have been landed later with the aid of a parachute.

Cause of the crash was not determined immediately.

The three-day show concluded with thrill and demonstration flights by Army, Navy, Marine and male and female civilian pilots in observation of "Air Reserve Day."

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Chinese Students Cancel Peace Rally; Second Plea to Reds

NANKING, June 1 (AP)—Student associations representing 21 Chinese universities voted tonight to cancel Monday's scheduled nationwide anti-war demonstrations "in view of our knowledge that the government is preparing to use force and violence against us."

The government, however, continued precautions in large cities, including curfews and martial law. 34 more persons, including 26 students, were arrested in Shanghai Saturday night on charges of being "Communist operatives."

A dispatch from Chungking said 80 students and 14 Chinese newsmen were seized by troops there in a series of midnight raids.

In announcing that the mass demonstrations were called off, Wang An-min, a spokesman for the student associations, said that instead memorial rallies would be held on campuses for civil war victims and for students killed or wounded in recent clashes with the authorities.

He said all students would return to classes Tuesday, ending a series of strikes, but would maintain a "spiritual strike" against the government's failure to accede to student demands, which include increased subsidies and curricular changes as well as an end to the war with the Communists.

A special committee of the People's Political Council, assigned to study the possibility of renewing peace negotiations, voted to demand a general session of the council tomorrow for a second appeal to the Communists. The first broadcast call for new negotiations went unanswered the past week, and no result is expected from the effort.

While more than 10 members of the council have championed the peace move, it appeared to have been snowed under when the full council Saturday adopted resolutions urging stronger military efforts to suppress "the Communist rebellion."

Some Nanking quarters felt that the abortive peace gesture may have been intended merely to convince the United States that the Chinese government was trying, since decision on a new American loan to China is due this month.

The military situation continued to deteriorate, with the government reported generally on the defensive except in local areas of Shensi and Shantung provinces.

A Mukden dispatch from the official Chinese Central news agency credited government troops with occupation of Harbin, big Communist base in northern Manchuria, but there was no confirmation and all onlookers believed this was extremely unlikely.

The report coincided with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's flying one-day visit to Mukden to map procedure for his hard-pressed Manchurian armies.

The Japanese oil yield in pre-war years amounted annually to less than the daily output in the United States.

Camera Enthusiast Pays Bond, Released

NEW YORK, June 1 (AP)—Leonard D'Atolico, 28-year-old former paratrooper who bailed out of a plane over the crowded Times Square area so he could take pictures from a bird's eye view of the city, was released from city jail today after posting bond for \$1000.

D'Atolico was arrested by police yesterday after floating down into a backyard on 44th street, a block

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Youth Claims Bicycle At Air Wreck Scene

NEW YORK, June 1 (AP)—A 15-year-old boy who missed death by seconds as he left his bicycle in the path of the United Air Lines DC-4 plane which crashed at La Guardia field the past Thursday night, appeared at the scene today to claim his battered bike and to take pictures of the wreckage.

Police had been investigating to determine whether the bicycle found in the wreckage of the crash which took 42 lives was a discarded bike or belonged to someone who was near or at the scene at the time of the crash.

The boy, Richard Schultz, a third term high school student, told police he had been out snake hunting and had left his bicycle to look for a container in which to put a 15-inch garden snake. He had caught, when the plane hurtled over a service road and crashed into the ditch where it burst into flames.

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Two Cars Damaged In Spring City Crash

Two cars were damaged, but nobody was injured in an accident on North Main street, Spring City, Saturday afternoon about 2 o'clock.

According to police, a coupe driven by Miss Grace K. Gottshall, Royersford RD 1, going north on North Main street, struck the left front door of a parked car owned by Geoffrey Golie, 200 Main street, Royersford, as Golie opened the door and was alighting from the driver's side.

Two fenders of Miss Gottshall's car were damaged and the door and glass of Golie's car was damaged. Police, who investigated, said both drivers would receive a summons, Miss Gottshall for failing to have registration cards with her and Golie for parking too far from the curb.

PAIR ENDS JEEP TRIP

Harold Amster, 346 Broad street, Spring City, local photographer, has returned home after accompanying Bob Garland, formerly of Royersford, on a magazine assignment to North Carolina. They were gone three weeks, traveling in a jeep.

Twin Bore Classified

Deaths 1
FULLER - In Royersford, on Friday, May 30, 1947, Clarence L. Fuller, aged 68 years. Funeral services private at his late residence, 531 Walnut street, Royersford, on Tuesday at 2 p. m. Interment Fernwood cemetery. Friends may call at the home Monday evening 7 to 9.

WYNN - In Phoenixville hospital, on Thursday, May 29, 1947, Annie M. Wynn, widow of Thomas G. Wynn, aged 81 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services at the Kimes and Nelson Funeral Home, 331 New St., Spring City, on Monday, June 2, at 2 p. m. Interment Zion's cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home Sunday evening 7 to 9.

Car. of Thanks 2
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The family of the late B. Alice Opperman wishes to thank the kind neighbors and friends for the assistance and sympathy, floral tributes and use of cars offered during their recent bereavement.

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Painting - Papering 36
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Rev. Seidel Tells Senior Classmen to Choose Right Path

The "Road to Success" was pointed out to the graduating class of Royersford High school in a clear, forceful manner by the Rev. Grant H. Seidel, pastor of Trinity Evangelical Congregational church, at baccalaureate services in the high school auditorium last night.

Congregations of local churches joined for the service which was attended by several hundred, filling the large auditorium. The Rev. Fred G. Bangs, Baptist pastor, was the liturgist, and music was provided by the Church of the Nazarene group.

Basing his sermon on Proverbs 3:6, "In all thy ways acknowledge Him. He shall direct thy paths," the Rev. Seidel advised the class members they are facing a new way of life and urged them to wisely and faithfully improve their opportunities and face the future with hope, faith and courage.

"You must have," he went on, "an adequate understanding of the term success. Is it luck, brilliancy or wealth? No, it is neither one."

"You must make a wise choice of two alternatives; you are now at a place where you must determine whether to take the path truth and reason suggest, or the other, which is too well known."

"Any lying at the root of all this is the matter of relying on the strength of your own understanding, or acknowledging God. If you acknowledge God, then you will live a wholesome life. Your body is a sacred trust and by living a proper life, it promotes fair dealing and produces justice and generosity."

Graduating exercises will continue this week, with class night Thursday night at 8 o'clock and commencement exercises Friday night at 8:15 o'clock, both in the high school auditorium.

Motorist Lacks Bail; Sent to Jail

A Philadelphia motorist failed to accept a warning from police not to attempt to drive his car while parked on Fourth avenue, near Main street, Royersford, Saturday night about 9:15 o'clock.

As a result, he was arrested on a charge of operating a car while under the influence of intoxicating liquor. Officer Nicola Selscio, directing traffic at the intersection, warned the man when he sensed he was not capable of driving.

When he pulled away from the curb, the officer gave pursuit and took him to the office of Dr. E. Carleton Jameson, where he was pronounced under the influence. The driver was William Waring, 38, of Roosevelt boulevard and Comly road, Philadelphia.

Taken before Justice of the Peace Arthur H. Sagebeer, Limerick township, for a hearing at midnight, he was held in \$500 bail for court. Unable to furnish bail, he was committed to Montgomery county prison, Norristown.

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Spring City Pupils Urged to Participate In Plan for Peace

Spring City High school graduating class members were urged to accept the challenge to achieve a peaceful world, by the Rev. Joseph L. Schantz, Spring City Lutheran pastor, at the baccalaureate service in the high school auditorium yesterday afternoon.

Spring City churches united for the service, with pastors of other churches taking part.

The Rev. Schantz imparted an appropriate message to the young people, speaking on the theme, "The Place Whereon Thou Standest," and basing his remarks on the text, Exodus 3:5, "Put off thy shoes from thy feet, for the place where thou standest is Holy ground."

Explaining to the near-grads that the greatness of any time is measured by two factors, the challenge it presents and the availability of people to meet the challenge, he admonished them to accept the challenge to achieve a peaceful world, with the alternative of self destruction.

"Make your youth count," he declared as he emphasized how much the wonderful years of youth with their idealism are needed in the world today.

Continuing he said "Do not only mark time, but make use of the younger years to accept this challenge."

Referring to the availability of people to meet the challenge, he remarked "I am convinced that the future of the world, if there is a future, belongs to men and women who can catch the vision of God as it appears in our present time."

The Rev. Paul E. Baer, Menonite Brethren in Christ pastor, offered the invocation. The Rev. Charles P. Salkeld, pastor of Spring City Methodist church, read the scripture lesson and offered the prayer.

The choir of the Lutheran church rendered the anthem, "Thou Hast Been Our Dwelling Place."

Commencement exercises will be held Thursday night at 8 o'clock in the high school auditorium.

Youths Plead Guilty To Burglary Charges

Joseph J. Kelly, 20, of 29 North Main street, Spring City, and Richard Dix, 19, Phoenixville, pleaded guilty to 11 charges of burglary and larceny before Judge W. Butler Windle in Chester county court at West Chester.

Sentence on the youths was deferred by Judge Windle until such time as he can give full consideration to the many charges, because of the judge being engaged in a murder trial before the court.

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DEATHS - FUNERALS

Funeral services for **MRS. B. ALICE OPFERMAN**, 29 NORTH MAIN STREET, SPRING CITY, were conducted in a funeral home at 331 New street Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Dr. Raymond E. Wilhelm, Frederick, Md., former pastor of Spring City First Evangelical and Reformed church. Interment was in Zion's cemetery. Bearers were Charles M. Taylor, Howard Barclay, Merrill Stanley, Gerald Hilborn, Hugh Rebert and Albert Zeidenzau.

Operator of Store Reports \$450 Loss

Royersford police are investigating a report by Oscar M. Evans, 301 Spring street, that he was robbed of \$450 by two men late Friday night.

Evans, who manages a grocery store owned by his brother-in-law, John Donahue, on Third avenue, near Evans' home, reported to police that as he was closing the door after the last customer left Friday night, one man grabbed him from the rear and held his arms while another man took a bag containing \$450 from his trouser pockets, overlooking \$600 in another pocket.

After the theft, they walked hurriedly in the direction of Washington street, he said, after which he turned in a call for the police. The man who held him, he described as being over six feet tall and the one who took the money was five feet, two inches tall.

Royersford Couple Entertains at Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Brandreth, 623 Main street, Royersford, entertained the following guests at dinner yesterday: Mr. and Mrs. Everett Leighton and children, George and Donna Jane; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Long and daughter, Marcia; Mr. and Mrs. Linford Hunter and daughter, Lynne and Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose B. Peterman, Twin Boroughs, and Dr. and Mrs. John Peterman, Pottstown.

SUMMONS FOR AUTOIST

Howard Texter, 122 Market street, Hatfield, will receive a summons, police said, for failing to obey the Stop sign at Walnut street and Lewis road, Royersford. Chief of Police Bryson Turner halted the driver yesterday afternoon.

The automobile industry consumes 18 percent of the American steel output, or more than the nation's railroads use.

State Legislators Pessimistic Over Adjournment Date

HARRISBURG, June 1 (P)—Pennsylvania's General assembly heads into the home stretch tomorrow but whether a hoped for June 14 adjournment date can be met depends upon how soon vitally important legislation can be enacted.

"We may make it by the 14th but I'm beginning to doubt it," Sen. O. J. Tallman, the Republican floor leader told a newsman. "Perhaps it will be a week or so later—it just depends upon how fast we work."

The Republicans have large majorities in both branches of the assembly but enactment of labor legislation will be slowed by vigorous Democratic opposition.

The controversial teachers' salary issue also promises lengthy floor debate despite an agreement between GOP House and Senate conferees on a proposal to increased mandated minimum salaries from \$1950 to \$4000, including merit increases.

The Pennsylvania State Educational association yesterday rejected as "inadequate and impractical" the conferees' proposal to boost the present minimum from \$1400. Delegates voted to continue the association's fight for a flat \$1000-a-year boost to make the statewide minimum \$2400.

Before settling down to discuss pending labor legislation the Senate is set to pass a bill renewing a one-cent-a-gallon emergency tax on gasoline. The present law lapsed last night. Until it goes back on the statute books the State may lose up to \$50,000 a day.

The Senate has several labor bills up for consideration, some of which have passed the House. Among the

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latter are measures banning strikes by public employes and eliminating jobless benefits to strikers.

Bills introduced in the Senate do not have the administration label as do those which have passed the House. Governor James H. Duff has not told Senate leaders whether he will sign any specific bills. Senate GOP leaders said after a conference with him the past week.

The governor, however, has said publicly that he is opposed to "restrictive or punitive" labor legislation. Commenting on this to a reporter the past week, Chairman James Berger (R-Potter), of the Senate's labor committee, said there are "many interpretations of what may be considered 'punitive or restrictive'."

The Senate bills, among other

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things, propose to establish a "cooling-off" period in advance of walk-outs and to permit secret ballots before and during strikes.

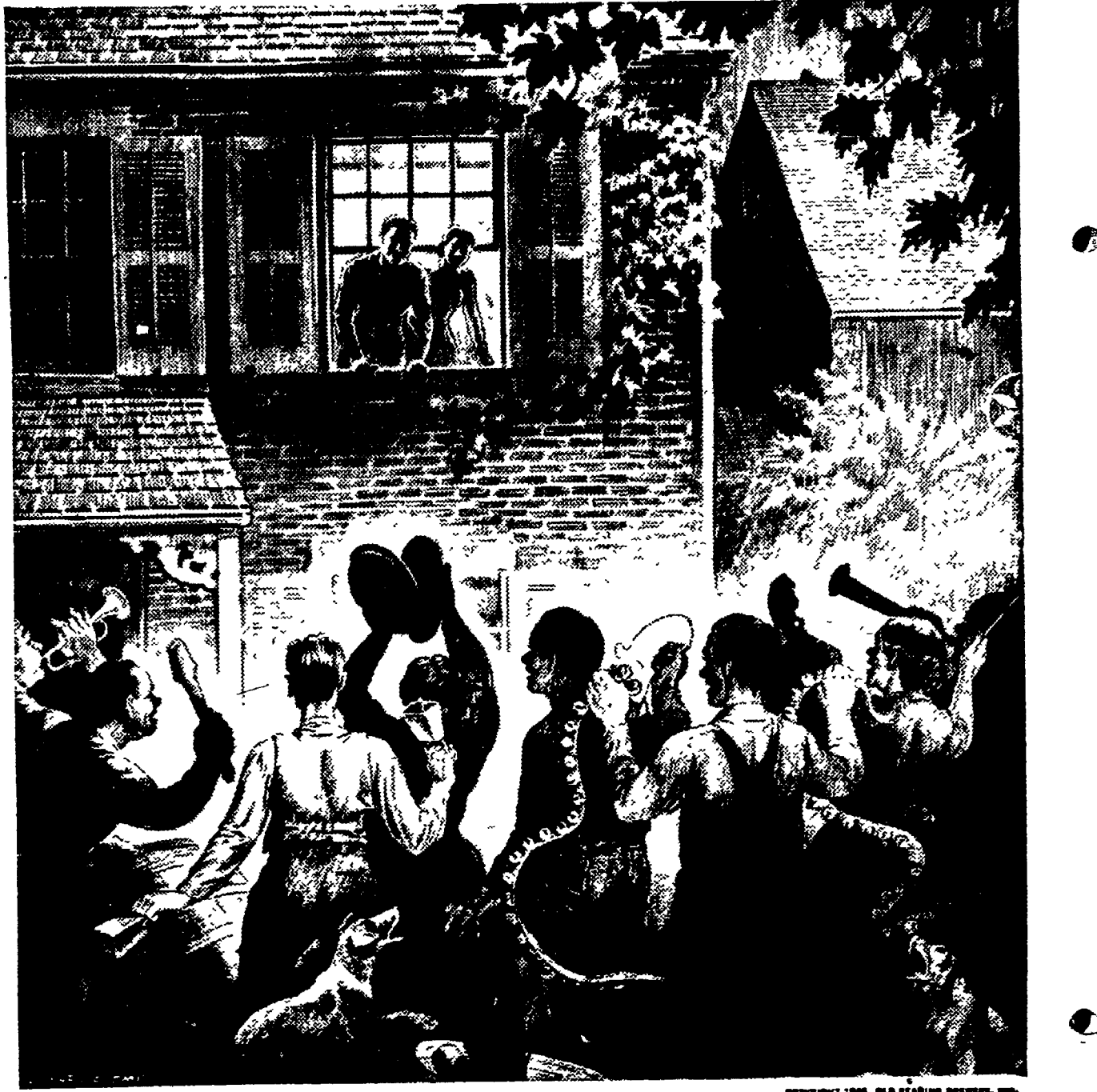
REDS RENEGE ON DEBT
TEHRAN, June 1 (P)—An official announcement said today that the Iranian ambassador in Moscow had sent a second note to Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov requesting payment of Russia's \$20,000,000 wartime debt to Iran.

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Mary W. Larzelere, Victor J. Roberts Jr. Wed in Germantown

The marriage of Miss Mary Wharfed, daughter of Mrs. Charles Townley Larzelere, Germantown, to Mr. Victor Jamison Roberts Jr., 335 High street, son of Mrs. Victor Jamison Roberts, Norristown, and the late Mr. Roberts, took place Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the home of the bride's mother.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Burtis Hallock Jr., pastor of First Presbyterian church in the presence of the two families.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Nicholas H. Larzelere, Norristown, wore a light ivory satin gown made with a tight fitting off-shoulder bodice outlined with family Duchesse lace, long tight sleeves and a full skirt ending in a long train. Her finger ring of tulle fell from a head-dress of Duchesse lace and she carried a bouquet of stephanotis and gardenias.

Mrs. Wilson S. Elmore, Orange, N. J., in the role of matron of honor, wore a delphinium blue marquisette gown styled with a shirred bodice, square low-cut neckline, short sleeves and full skirt. She carried a bouquet of Spring flowers tied with pink streamers.

The bridesmaids, Mrs. Nicholas H. Larzelere, Mrs. James B. Holland 2d and Mrs. Ralph K. Quillman Jr., all of Norristown, wore the delphinium blue marquisette gowns styled like the matron of honor's and they carried bouquets of Spring flowers tied with blue streamers.

Mr. Aaron S. Swartz 2d, Norristown, performed the duties of best man for his cousin, Usher, were Messrs. Warren Rainer, Ardmore, Lester Basler, Old Reading Pike, Douglassville, and George Haganir, Conshohocken.

Mrs. Larzelere, mother of the bride, wore a lime colored crepe gown and a purple orchid. Mrs. Roberts, mother of the bridegroom, chose a blue gown and a white orchid.

A reception followed the ceremony.

HOSPITALS

MEMORIAL

Admitted: Dean Smith, Pottstown RD 2, surgical; Mrs. Helen Fredd, South Pottstown, maternity; Eugene Koffroth, Spring City, surgical; Florence J. Himes, Pottstown RD 1, surgical; Mrs. Anna Flack, Trappe, surgical; Thomas Soulsby, 511 High street, medical.

Discharged: Mrs. Loretta Miller, 361 North Evans street, surgical; Mrs. S. Irene Yeager, surgical; Mrs. Edna Mulgrew, 1008 Industrial avenue, medical; Helen Onufrik, 381 Walnut street, surgical; Emma Dengler, 880 South street, surgical; Mrs. Margaret Steck, Hilldale, maternity; Katherine Kulp, Royersford, medical; Mrs. Evelyn Kirby, Schwenksville, maternity; Mrs. Mary Julia, 431 Walnut street, surgical; Mrs. Carolyn Witzel, Linfield, maternity; Rodney Brill, 719 Walnut street, surgical; Edgar Hunsinger, South Pottstown, medical.

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Admitted: Mrs. Arlene Gilbert, Boyertown, maternity; Mrs. Mary Barnaik, Royersford, maternity; John Antush Jr., Stonersville, surgical; Michael Quicksell, Pottstown RD 4, surgical; John Meyers, Schwenksville, surgical; Mrs. Eleanor Rhoads, 110 Chestnut street, maternity; Mrs. Catherine Buckwalter, Pottstown RD 2, maternity; Mrs. Eleanor Hummel, Penn Village, maternity; Orville Pine, County home, surgical; Violet Troxel, Royersford, surgical; Mrs. Eleta Kramer, Spring City, surgical; Mrs. Hazel Lightcap, Pottstown RD 4, maternity; Norman Strouse, Pottstown RD 1, surgical; Rosa Strom, Gilbertsville, surgical; Charles Gephart, Pottstown RD 4, medical; Augustus Kemmerer, Ocean City, N. J., medical; Nelson Lerch, Price and Mulberry streets, medical; Alice Smith, Pottstown RD 2, surgical; Arlene Smith, Bechtelsville, surgical.

Discharged: Richard Heydt, Boyertown, surgical; William Westfall, 541 High street, surgical; Mrs. Elizabeth Meyers, Obelisk, maternity; Hetty Merricks, 139 Walnut street, medical; Thelma Pountney, 837 Cross street, surgical; John Antush Jr., Stonersville, surgical; Xenia Bunnick, Perkiomenville, surgical; Dora Frey, Pottstown RD 4, surgical; Jean Schaeffer, Spring City, surgical; John Meyers, Schwenksville, surgical; William Rickert, 34 West High street, surgical; Joseph Oprendeck, Brookside Country club, surgical; Michael Quicksell, Pottstown RD 4, surgical; James Heffner, Boyertown, surgical; Dorothy Alexander, Rob-

sonia, surgical; Jane Lenhart, 639 Chestnut street, surgical; Mrs. Thelma Sanders, 1125 Queen street, maternity.

CLUB NEWS

Social Activities

Family Bedrooms Gradually Becoming All-Purpose Rooms

NEW YORK, May 30—Just as the dining room is taking on a dual personality and emerging as an extra sitting room or study, so family bedrooms are gradually becoming all-purpose rooms.

Mother and dad often find themselves relegated to another part of the house when sister has callers, and junior usually pre-empt the dining room for study purposes. Then for anyone who has a hobby that cannot be spread all over the house, the bedroom often becomes a refuge.

Bedroom Furnishings

All of which means that furnishings should be flexible, combining daytime activities with sleeping facilities. But that doesn't mean that it can't be a good bedroom or a good all-purpose room. If you are fortunate enough to have a bedroom with a fireplace, then it is easy to make an interesting group around it for sewing, reading, or just conversation. Two big chairs instead of one, two reading lamps, two tables and a footstool.

A loveseat is another good addition, because it is small yet serves as a sofa without taking up too much room. All in all, the bedroom-sitting room becomes a second "private" living room where visitors won't intrude, except by invitation.

For those with mental work to do, the bedroom-study is an ideal place. The addition of a good desk and storage space for materials can be made easily, and if the pieces are carefully chosen, they won't seem out of place. A built-in desk with storage cabinets on the sides is easy to construct. For high school children painted furniture is practical, and the fine unpainted pieces in the shops, done on clean mod lines, are easily tied together with paint.

A combination room needn't combine everything. If it does, it will only be a jumble. Try, if possible, to keep the sleeping and dressing sections separate from the daytime sections. Set the desk and work storage space in one corner or at one window, but don't have it scattered. The conversational group in a bay window, in one corner or around the fireplace, is much more useful than to have the chairs separated by the beds and other furniture.

A Sewing Room

One housewife made a corner of her bedroom into a sewing room, and she had a large decorative screen to set up in front of the machine and work table, if she had to leave it.

A man who collected and repaired old books fixed up a corner of the master bedroom and built a desk so large and roomy that the center drawer held everything he was working on at the moment, so that materials could be put away at a moment's notice, and the room made epic and span for company.

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Convalescents

Pvt. Richard Rhoads, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Rhoads, 269 North York street, is convalescing in Letterman General hospital, San Francisco, Calif., following an operation April 7. Private Rhoads returned to the United States after serving as a radio operator with the US occupational Force at Chitose Air Base on the Island of Hokkaido, Japan.

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Miscellaneous Shower Given for Recent Bride

Mrs. Eugene Janderchick, the former Joyce Rayson, was entertained at a miscellaneous shower Saturday evening by Mrs. Charles Good Jr., in her home, 467 North Charlotte street.

Gifts for the guest of honor were attached to green and yellow streamers falling from a large umbrella.

Those present were Mrs. Clay Rinehart, Mrs. Douglas Willauer, Mrs. Ivan Moser, Mrs. Rachel Troop, Mrs. Warren Embury, Mrs. Joseph Wetzel, Mrs. William Rayson, Mrs. Helen Rayson, Mrs. Charles Good Sr., Miss Harriet Steltz, Mrs. Walter Wetzel, Miss Margaret Rayson, Miss Josephine Wetzel, Mr. Eugene Janderchick, Mr. John Motto, Mr. Joseph Wetzel, Mr. Charles Good Jr. and son, Tommy, Mr. Charles Good Sr., Mr. William Rayson, all of Pottstown; Mrs. Robert Koch, Miss June Koch, and Mrs. James Cavey, all of Baltimore.

Mrs. Steward Moyer Jr. Feted at Bridal Shower

A bridal shower for Mrs. Steward Moyer Jr., the former Helen Hollowbush, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hollowbush, Perkiomenville RD 1, was held recently at the home of the husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Steward Moyer Sr., 508 East Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Steward Moyer Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hollowbush, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wren, Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Goughler, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hums and son, Bruce; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hollowbush and son, Randy Allen; Mrs. C. A. Davidheiser, Mrs. Earl Hollowbush, Mrs. Kermit Lenhard, Mrs. Morris Bryan Jr., Mrs. Donald Bernhart, Martha Shellaway, Mildred Bittling, Wilmer Hollowbush, Steward Moyer Jr., husband of the honored guest, the guest of honor, Mrs. Steward Moyer Jr., and the hostess, Mrs. Daniel Reinert.

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Kathleen June Hoffman, 619 Walnut street, aged three years.

William Robert Reininger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reininger, formerly of 448 Walnut street, now of Pasadena, Calif., aged two years.

David R. Krause, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Krause, 551 Lincoln avenue.

Genevieve Anderson, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth R. Anderson, 532 East Vine street, Stowe.

Bernice Egolf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Egolf, 664 West High street.

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One of the loveliest affairs of the Spring season was the dinner dance staged Saturday night by the Woman's club of Pottstown in Reading Country club.

At the affair, the first formal social event held since before the war, guests were seated in parlors at candle lighted tables decorated attractively with arrangements of Spring flowers.

Members and their guests danced to the music of Bob Hartman's orchestra.

While dinner was optional, many stinking dinner gowns as well as unusual street dresses dotted the spacious dance floor.

Guests attended the affair from Philadelphia, Westfield, N. J., Coatesville, Reading and Valley Forge.

Mrs. Kenneth Fillman, chairman of the social committee was in charge of arrangements. Other members of the committee assisting were Mrs. Bayard VanRensselaer, Mrs. Alfred G. Widdick, Mrs. Jack Tinkler, Mrs. John H. Saylor, Mrs. John W. LeVelle, Mrs. Warren L. Klinger, Mrs. Edwin H. Hartenstein, Mrs. Gerald R. Pegley, Mrs. James C. Wilke, Mrs. Robert H. Trout, Mrs. Leon M. Seldomridge, Mrs. Lawrence Rath, Mrs. D. Hunter Klink, Mrs. E. Beatrice Houck, Mrs. Morrell Grigg and Mrs. James F. Baird.

Social Calendar

Pottstown City Council of Parent-Teacher associations—Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock in the Lincoln school building.

Pottstown Hospital Junior auxiliary—Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock in the nurses' home.

Pottstown Hospital Senior auxiliary—Meeting this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the nurses' home.

Dames of Malta—Committee tonight at 8 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Emmanuel Kulp, 65 Edgewood street.

Health Clinic for Pre-School Children—Today from 9 a. m. to 11:30 a. m. in the Rupert school.

Business Girls' club of the YWCA—Drama Night tonight at 7:45 o'clock in the clubroom.

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Virginia L. Evans Becomes Bride of Clyde A. Bertolet Jr.

A quiet but impressive ceremony Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Coventry Church of the Brethren, Miss Virginia Louise Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond W. Evans, Kennilworth, became the bride of Mr. Clyde A. Bertolet Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde A. Bertolet, Harmonyville.

The ceremony was solemnized by the Rev. D. Howard Keiper, pastor. A recital of bridal music was presented by Mrs. Walter Thomas, church organist.

The bride was attired attractively in a white gabardine suit with white accessories and she wore an orchid corsage.

Upon their return from a honeymoon trip to Ocean City, N. J., the couple will reside in the home of the bride's parents.

For traveling the bride chose a navy blue suit with white accessories and her bridal corsage.

The bride is employed as a bookkeeper at the Citizens National Bank and Trust company.

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Cardinals Drop 11-0 Contest To Allentown Team

The Pottstown Cardinals ran into a stone wall last night and dropped their third Bi-State Softball league contest in four starts, to Shankweilers, Allentown, 11-0 before approximately 400 fans on the latter's field.

In Race Dispute



Bill Holland (above) of Bridgeport, Conn., said at Indianapolis that he would have won the 500-mile Memorial Day auto race over his teammate, Mauri Rose of Chicago, if he hadn't received the "EZY" signal from his pit crew. Holland called it "the loudest deal I ever got."

BROOKLYN DODGERS TURN BACK CARDS IN 6-1 CONTEST

BROOKLYN, June 1 (AP)—Rookie right-hander Harry Taylor came through with another fine pitching performance today as he held the St. Louis Cardinals to five hits in leading the Brooklyn Dodgers to a 6-1 victory over the world champions.

The largest Ebbets field crowd of the season—34,109 paying customers—saw the steady recruit hang up his second straight five-hitter to make his record 2-1.

St. Louis Cardinals: ab.r.h.o. Schoof, 2b 3 0 0 1; Stanky, 2b 5 0 1 1; Moore, cf 4 0 1 3; Robinson, 1b 3 1 2 1; Musial, 1b 4 0 1 4; Reiser, cf 3 1 3 0; Slaughter, rf 4 0 1 2; Furillo, lf 3 2 3 0; Northey, lf 3 0 0 1; Walker, rf 4 0 3 4; Kuroki, 3b 1 0 0 0; Edwards, c 3 0 0 3; Cross, 3b 2 0 0 2; Long, 3b 4 0 0 2; Marion, ss 4 0 1 0; Reese, ss 3 1 1 0; Garofalo, c 3 0 0 1; Taylor, p 4 0 0 0 1; Brannen, p 2 1 1 1; Wilks, p 0 0 0 1; Dickson, p 0 0 0 0; Hearn, p 0 0 0 1.

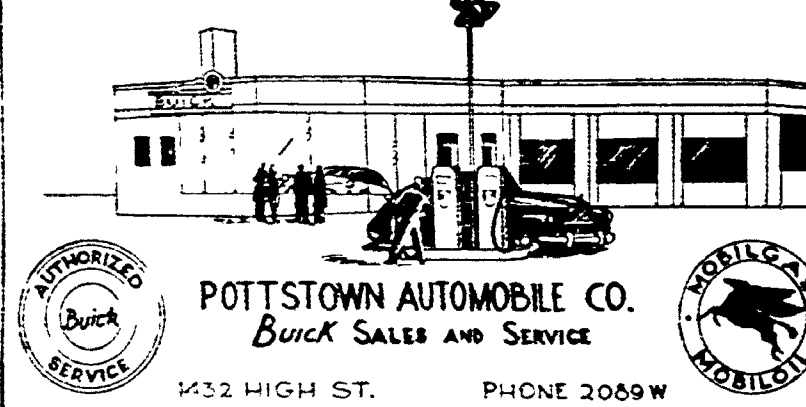
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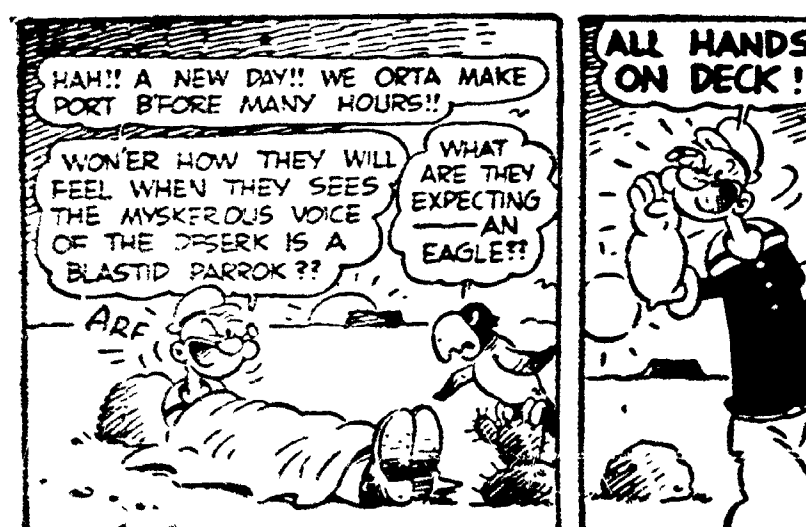
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BRAVES TOPPLE PIRATES TWICE; TAKE 3D PLACE

Johnny Sain Hurls Two Hit Shutout Before 30,656 Fans

BOSTON, June 1 (AP)—Winning both games of a doubleheader from the Pittsburgh Pirates, the first a 2-0 shutout for Johnny Sain and the second an 8-7 ten inning affair, the Boston Braves today moved into the National league's third slot, a half game ahead of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

After Sain had pitched his second shutout in the opener for his fifth victory before a paid attendance of 30,656, the Braves seemed to have the nightcap in the bag when they scored four times in the eighth to take a 7-3 lead.

However, the Pirates rallied for four runs, the telling blow a two run homer by Cully Rickard which sailed high over the fence in right-center about 400 from the plate.

Shankweilers touched Nagle for a singleton in the first and when the lanky twirler became wild in the second, the winners went on to chalk up six runs and the ball game.

The Cardinals were limited to a half dozen scattered hits off the offerings of Ralph Miller who turned in a brilliant performance much to the delight of those present.

Tonight at 6:30 o'clock on Fisher Field, the Cardinals meet the Abe Golden Post Softies in a non-league struggle.

Cardinals: ab.r.h.o. Shaner, rf 4 0 0 1; B. Miller, 1b 2 1 0 1; Bowman, lf 4 0 1 3; Held, cf 4 2 2 0; Seeders, ss 1b 4 0 2 5; Staley, 2b 4 1 1 2; High, c 3 0 1 1; Worthing, rf 3 1 2 0; Z. Butler, c 3 0 1 1; E. Staley, c 2 0 0 6; Endy, 2b 3 0 2 4; Pratt, lf 4 1 1 4; Wolfe, lf, cf 4 0 0 3; Staub, ss 3 1 0 0; Eckert, 3b, ss 2 0 0 3; Blows, 3b 4 1 1 1; Seider, 1b 1 0 0 1; R. Miller, p 3 1 1 1; Nagle, p 0 0 0 1; Brannen, p 1 0 0 0; J. Butler, 2b 1 0 0 1; Kovalski, cf 1 0 0 0.

Totals 29 0 27 10. Totals 29 11 0 27. Cardinals: 000 000 000-0. Shankweilers: 1 6 0 0 1 2 1 X-11. Washington at Detroit: 2. Two-base hits—R. Miller, Seeders. Home run—Held. Sacrifice hit—Eckert. Stolen bases—Held, Staley, Seeders, Bowman. Double play—Eckert to Endy to Seider. Bases on balls—Off Nagle 6, Brannen 2, R. Miller 2. Hit by pitcher—Worthing, Nagle. Struck out—By Miller 5, Nagle 1, Brannen 1. Winning pitcher—R. Miller. Losing pitcher—Nagle. Umpires—Stankner and Hall.

THE STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE SATURDAY'S RESULTS New York 4, Cleveland 4. Detroit 5, Washington 4. (Only games scheduled.)

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS Boston at Detroit (double header tomorrow). Washington at Detroit, both games postponed rain. Philadelphia 2 (second game postponed rain). New York 11, Cleveland 9 (second game postponed rain).

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St. Louis came back in the third when Bob Dillinger and Johnny Barardino walked. On a hit and run play Barardino took second and catcher Mike Guerra threw into center field, Dillinger scoring. Heath brought Berardino home with a triple and Stephens came up with a line blow into the left field stands.

Philadelphia: ab.r.h.o. Joost, 1b 4 1 4 3; Dillinger, 2b 4 1 0 0 1; Valo, rf 2 1 0 2; Berardino, 3b 1 2 1 3 2; Fain, 1b 4 0 0 8; Lechner, cf 1 2 1 3 2; Binks, lf 4 0 0 0; Heath, lf 4 2 3 3 0. Today's Games and Probable Pitchers (Won-Lost Records in Parentheses). Pittsburgh at Boston—Sewell (2-1) vs. Johnson (2-2). St. Louis at Brooklyn—Pollett (2-4) vs. Hatten (5-2). Cincinnati at New York—Walters (2-2) vs. Nathan (4-0). (Only games scheduled.)

NATIONAL LEAGUE SATURDAY'S RESULTS Chicago 7, Philadelphia 1 (night). Brooklyn 5, Boston 0. New York 10, Pittsburgh 9. Today's Games and Probable Pitchers (Won-Lost Records in Parentheses). Chicago 4, Philadelphia 3. Cincinnati 5, New York 3 (1st). New York 13, Cincinnati 9 (2nd). Brooklyn 6, St. Louis 1.

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Turnesa Wins British Amateur



Willie Turnesa (left) of White Plains, N. Y., defeated his Walker Cup teammate, Dick Chapman (right) of Pinehurst, N. C., 3 and 2 in a 36-hole match at Carnoustie, Scotland, to win the British Amateur golf championship. Here Turnesa holds an umbrella over Chapman after both had reached the finals in the tournament.

OLYMPIC JUDGE PLEASED

Karver Among Tracksters Commended by Dan Ferris

AWARDS ARE GIVEN FOR SPRING SPORTS AT THE HILL SCHOOL

Approximately 50 persons attended the annual Spring award night held at the house of James I. Wendall, head master of The Hill School, for the awarding of the letters to members of the baseball, tennis, track and golf teams.

The awards were made by Stanley Ward, chairman of the athletic committee to the members of the baseball team, captained by Jerry Tone and coached by Walt Lemley; the tennis team, captained by Carl Fischer and coached by Frank Bender; the track team, captained by Kirk Steen and coached by Henry Colbath; and the golf team, captained by Bill Rodie.

PHILADELPHIA, June 1 (AP)—Dan Ferris, veteran judge of Olympic flesh, surveyed results in the IC4A track championships today and declared himself "very well pleased with the outlook."

Ferris, national secretary of the AAU, and king pin in organizing the 1948 American Olympic team for the London games, said frankly that his present optimism contrasted with his opinion a year ago when the outlook didn't appear too good.

New York university won the 71st annual IC4A championships yesterday with 36 points in a meet characterized by a much higher level of performance than was produced during the war years. Michigan State was second with 25, Penn State and Harvard were tied for third with 24, followed by Manhattan 17, Yale 15, Villanova 12, and Brown, Army and North Carolina 11 each. Twenty-three schools scored.

Here are some of the IC4A men Ferris believes have a chance to win places on the American Olympic team next year:

Gerald Karver, Penn State miler, winner in 4:12.7, by a good 20 yards.

Reginald Pearson, New York university Negro freshman middle distance runner, smooth-striding winner of the 880 in the brilliant time of 1:51.5.

Robert Bennett, Brown university hammer thrower, "probably the outstanding prospect in the country," in Ferris' opinion. He did 174 feet 10 7/8 inches to win.

George Guida, Villanova quarter-miler, winner in 4:7.5. He ran a front race all the way and closed strong.

Jack Hammack, sturdy Army quarter-miler, who was Guida's closest rival, and finished up the afternoon by running the anchor leg team which set a new IC4A record of 3:14.3. Hammack was caught unofficially in 46.5 for this effort, one-tenth of a second behind Ben Eastman's world mark.

In addition to these athletes, Curtis S. Stone of Penn State, who set a new meet record in the two mile at 9:11.8 came close to Olympic consideration time.

Bethany-Century Nine Tops Norristown, 5-0

The Bethany-Century Nine baseball team scored a 5-0 shutout victory over the Norristown Cubs yesterday afternoon in an exhibition game played on The Hill fields.

Each team was only able to collect three hits apiece, but the local aggregation took advantage of a few errors and walks to produce enough runs to win.

WILSON DIES BRADENTON, Fla., June 1 (AP)—Flery Jimmy Wilson, who spent 23 of his 47 years as manager, catcher and coach in the National league, died early today of a heart attack.

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Cubs Score in 8th Inning To Defeat Phillies; Reds Divide Pair With Giants

JOE DIMAGGIO LEADS YANKEES TO 11-9 WIN

Collects Four Hits Including Two Homers, One With Bases Full

CLEVELAND, June 1 (AP)—Jolting Joe Dimaggio's grand slam eighth-inning homer, his second of the game, paced the New York Yankees to an 11-9 victory over the Cleveland Indians today in a wild, rain-delayed opener of a scheduled doubleheader. Six circuit clouts were rapped in the tilt as nine pitchers saw action.

Dimaggio's clout climaxed a five-run rally by the Yankees after a pair of homers had put Cleveland ahead, 7-6, in the seventh frame in a weird game viewed by 47,132 fans.

The Yankee Clipper smashed his first round tripper in the second after Charley Keller rapped his 13th of the year to give New York a 2-0 margin. Rain then delayed the game for more than an hour and the scheduled nightcap later was postponed because of darkness.

New York moved ahead 5-1 in the top half of the fifth, but the Indians rallied in their half of the frame to knot the count, 5-5. Homers by relief pitcher Bob Lemon, who was charged with the loss, and Hal Peck then gave the Tribe its momentary lead before Dimaggio clinched the verdict for the Yanks.

A two-run four-bagger by rookie first sacker Eddie Robinson in the eighth cut New York's margin to two runs, but southpaw Joe Page contributed his second bit of sparkling relief hurling in two days to throttle the Tribe.

New York: ab.r.h.o. Stinky, 2b 2 2 0 3; Peck, rf 5 3 3 1; Hennrich, lf 4 0 1 0; Keller, 3b 5 0 1 2 1; Keller, lf 4 2 2 3; Metkher, cf 4 0 0 2 0; Dimaggio, c 3 4 1 0; Bonds, 1b 4 1 2 1 5; McQuinn, 3b 5 1 2 0; E. Robinson, 1b 4 1 1 0 0; Johnson, 3b 5 0 0 1; Gordon, 2b 3 1 1 3 5; A. Robinson, c 3 0 2 0; Seaver, lf 4 0 0 1 0; Rizzuto, ss 3 2 1 1; Cooper, c 2 1 1 5 0; Reynolds, 2b 2 0 1 0; Hegan, c 1 0 0 1 0; Lyons, p 0 0 0 0; Gromek, p 1 0 0 0 2; Gumpert, p 0 0 0 0; Willis, p 0 0 0 0 0; Page, p 1 0 0 0 0.

Totals 27 11 13 27. Totals 36 11 27 14. Lendl, scored for Lyons in 8th. Fleming singled, scored for Willis in 8th.

PHILADELPHIA, June 1 (AP)—Signing with the Philadelphia Phillies one day after being graduated from high school is just a dream to some boys, but that is what really happened to Dick "Chuck" Sands, pitcher and outfielder for Schwenksville High school for the past three years.

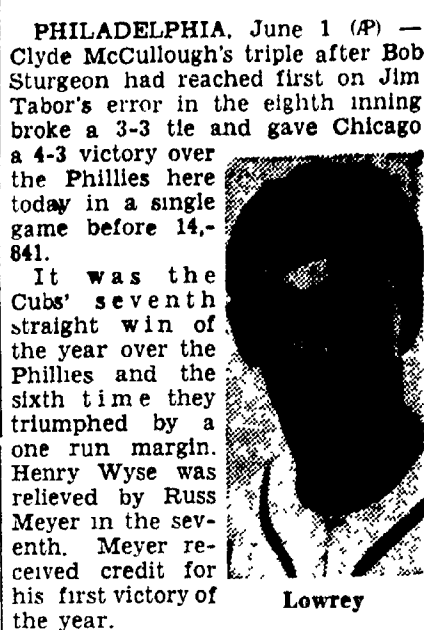
The young pitcher was signed by Jack Collins, Phillies scout, Saturday and will report to the Blue Jays' Dover, Del. farm club today.

Sands has seen much mound duty in the past three years and has a good record behind him. He has three full seasons with the Schwenksville High Bluebirds and has played with the Souderton American Legion Junior team. He has also seen action in the Perkiomen Twi-Light league, Main Line league and with the Boyertown American Legion Junior squad.

While in high school, the new member of the Phillies earned nine letters in sports, three a year in baseball, football and basketball.

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PHILADELPHIA, June 1 (AP)—Clyde McCullough's triple after Bob Sturgeon had reached first on Jim Tabors' error in the eighth inning broke a 3-3 tie and gave Chicago a 4-3 victory over the Phillies here today in a single game before 14,841.

It was the Cubs' seventh straight win of the year over the Phillies and the sixth time they triumphed by a one-run margin.

Henry Wyse was relieved by Russ Meyer in the seventh. Meyer received credit for his first victory of the year.

The Cubs scored twice in the first inning on Peanuts Lowrey's second home run of the season after Stan Hack singled.

The Phils tied it at 2 to 2 in the third on Del Ennis' single to center with the bases loaded to score Ken Raffensberger and Skeeter Newsome.

Chicago regained the lead in the fifth on Eddie Waitkus' double and Hack's single but the Phils fought back in the seventh and again knotted the score at 3 to 3 on Raffensberger's third hit. Newsome's sacrifice and Gilbert's single.

Chicago: ab.r.h.o. Hack, 2b 4 1 2 3; Newsome, ss 3 1 2 0 3; Stung, 2b 3 1 1 4; Gilbert, cf 4 1 1 2 0; Lowrey, cf 3 1 1 3; Ennis, lf 4 0 0 0; Cavarese, lf 4 0 0 0; Wyck, rf 3 0 0 2 0; McCullough, c 4 0 0 0; Poland, c 4 0 0 3 0; Nicholson, c 4 0 0 0; Tabors, rf 4 0 0 3 1; Waitkus, 1b 4 1 2 0 2; Schiltz, lf 4 0 2 8 2; Menullo, ss 4 0 0 5; Verban, 2b 4 0 1 3 3; Wyse, p 4 0 0 0; Raffensberger, p 3 2 2 3 2; Meyer, p 1 0 0 0 0.

Totals 33 47 27 18. Totals 34 31 27 12. Chicago: 200 010 000-4. Philadelphia: 000 000 100-3. Runs batted in—Lowrey 2, Hack, Ennis 2, Gilbert, McCullough. Two-base hits—Newsome, Waitkus. Three-base hit—McCullough. Home run—Lowrey. Winning pitcher—Meyer.

NEW YORK, June 1 (AP)—Staging a thrilling six-run rally in the seventh inning and following with a three-run outburst in the eighth, the New York Giants overcame an early Cincinnati 5-0 lead and defeated the Reds 13-9 to gain a split in their double header before 45,795 fans at the Polo Grounds.

The Reds won the opener 5-3 on Eddie Miller's two-run homer in the ninth.

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POTTSTOWN VFW LOSES TWO TO PERKASIE NINE

Forrest Lodge's Jerry Beck missed a no-hit, no-run game yesterday afternoon when his catcher, Bill Gerhart, dropped the third strike pitched to Bill Beacraft, allowing Dan Leightcap to score from third base as the Perkassie VFW downed Pottstown, 5-1, at Perkassie.

The Perkassie pitcher hurled beautiful ball from start to finish and was in trouble only once and that was in the very first inning. He calmed down after that and retired 18 men in order. A walk to Al Kolzar in the seventh inning spoiled the run, but the Pottstown right fielder was wiped out at second trying to steal.

The local aggregation threatened in the top of the first inning when Bill Fillman drew a base on balls and was safe at second when Jim Gerhart let the pitcher's throw get into center field sending Fillman to third and Harry Anderson to second.

Kolzar grounded to the second baseman and Fillman was out at the plate for the second out of the inning, and Bob Shaner fanned to end the frame.

Perkassie came back for a big second inning which netted all five runs. Ed Sovia, who limited the winners to three hits, had trouble finding the plate and walked the first two men. Bill Gerhart bunted back to Sovia, but the tall right-hander had no play and all hands were safe. Sovia then lashed a hot grounder over first base which rolled into deep right field for three bases scoring three runs. Souder flied out to right with Seip scoring the fourth run after the catch.

Sovia walked the next two men, and when Perkassie tried a double steal, Bob Yerger threw wild to third base allowing Soliday to score the final run.

In Saturday's contest played at Pottstown, Perkassie pounded three pitchers for an easy 17-4 victory.

Pottstown: ab.r.h.o. Leightcap, 3b 3 1 0 1; Sovia, lf 3 1 1 2 0; Fillman, cf 2 0 0 3; Gerhart, 2b 2 0 0 5 2; Anderson, 1b 1 0 0 0; Stotter, 1b 3 1 0 10; Kolzar, rf 3 0 0 1; Pamp, 3b 3 1 0 0 3; Shaner, 1b 3 0 1 0; B. Gerhart, cf 2 1 1 1 0; Kovach, ss 3 0 0 1; Seip, lf 2 1 1 1 0; Souder, ss 4 0 0 2 3; Stauffer, 3b 1 0 0 0; Beck, p 3 0 0 0 2; Yerger, c 3 0 0 0 5; Sovia, p 3 0 0 0 5.

Totals 27 10 24 17. Totals 26 5 32 11. Pottstown: 000 000 000-1. Perkassie: 050 000 000 X-5. Errors—Shaner 8, Kovach, Yerger, J. Gerhart, B. Gerhart. Three-base hit—Seip. Double plays—Kovach to Leightcap to Shaner; Leightcap to Kovach to Shaner. Bases on balls—Off Sovia 4, Beck 3. Struck out—By Sovia 1, Beck 7.

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storm was at least 20 miles long and "up to 10 miles wide."

Bridges were literally blown away across the bayous and loggers had to cut trees from across the road for the ambulances to get through," said Steed.

"Whole families—Negro and white—were wiped out. I saw ten Negroes all in one heap. The buildings were leveled and the only evidence some had ever stood were the foundations."

"Communications into the area are impossible and motor traffic is moving under the greatest difficulty. Every ambulance is running to capacity every trip and we are using taxicabs and trucks to bring the people in. There is a lot of territory to cover and we already know the storm extended roughly from 10 miles west of here to 10 miles east of here."

Gordon Freeman, publisher of the Pine Bluff Commercial, told how stores and churches in some of the rural communities were laid flat.

"Trees simply were turned into splinters," he said.

Many of the houses in the area were small tenant dwellings there and that I saw nothing but wreckage. Steed said:

The Stratton and Chambliss plantations, two of the largest in Arkansas delta cotton country, were directly in the path of the storm. Steed said that tenant houses—small frame dwellings of three and four rooms—on these places were "nothing but kindling."

Torrential rain and a hail storm followed in the path of the tornado, adding to the misery of the victims and the task of rescue workers. Every physician and nurse in this community was mobilized.

Oklahoma Tornado

Takes 6 Lives; 25 Hurt

LEEDNEY, Okla. June 1 (AP)—A roaring tornado killed six persons, injured 25 and leveled three-fourths of this town of 600 last night.

The only thing that kept the toll from going higher, observers agreed after viewing the wreckage that was Leedney in daylight was a warning sounded to Saturday night crowds by Jack Sapp, alert telephone worker.

Sapp saw the storm form and approach Leedney and turned on the town's fire sirens and shouted warnings over a loudspeaker.

At the time the twister hit, the streets were clear and residents of this tornado-conscious area were huddled in storm shelters.

The storm ripped into Leedney after terrorizing residents of a wide area in which nearly 200 persons perished in Oklahoma and Texas during a similar storm April 9.

TRUMAN BOARD —

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dent of General Electric; Dr. Daniel Poling, a churchman; Judge Samuel I. Rosenman, former presidential adviser; Mrs. Anna Rosenberg, industrial relations consultant; Dr. Harold W. Dodds, president of Princeton university; Truman K. Gibson Jr., lawyer; and the Rev. Edmund A. Walsh, vice president of Georgetown university.

They covered the whole field of national security in their report, estimated at 188,000 words in length.

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Fire loss in the borough during the month of May totaled \$5750, Fire Chief Richard E. Lindauer reported yesterday. This was the estimated loss at the fire on May 9 at the business and apartment building at 304 High street, owned by Hyman Stein.

Stein, according to Lindauer, has padlocked the entrances to apartments at 302 and 304 High street. The apartment suites continue unoccupied.

During May there were 12 phone calls and two alarms. There were four out-of-town calls.

Losses for the corresponding month in previous years follow: 1942, \$10, 1943, \$125, 1944, \$360, 1945, \$2085, and 1946, no loss.

CRASH PROBE —

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Eastern has 20 such surplus planes on its scheduled flights, he added.

The CAB spokesman also declared the initial check led investigators to theorize the plane struck the ground nose down and in a partly inverted position.

In an improvised morgue at the Bainbridge naval training center, meanwhile, medical examiners of the airline Navy and Cecil county continued their efforts to identify the bodies of the crash victims.

An Eastern Airlines official said some 30 bodies had been positively identified by late Sunday afternoon.

UNITY IN EUROPE —

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unless the United States takes bold measures to restore foreign business, economic disaster abroad will be accompanied by serious and costly business reverses at home.

Secretary of State Marshall ordered economic planning at the State department on a global basis immediately after his return from the Moscow foreign ministers conference.

While the studies are world-wide, initial concern is with Europe. Conditions there are considered to affect most directly the economy of the United States and the world.

In addition, Europe is the main arena of political conflict with Russia. The conviction is reported growing at the State department that the best way to meet Communism in Europe is by trying to create stable economic conditions.

Man Takes Own Life
After Killing Three

MIDDLETOWN, O., June 1 (AP)—Mrs. Dorothy Watson, 32, her son, Arthur, 4, and William McKenzie, 44, were shot fatally tonight by Arthur W. Watson, 44, her husband, who then took his own life, Detective John Fitzgerald reported.

Residents of Veterans village, a Government-sponsored housing settlement, Mrs. Watson and her son were found slain by friends of the family who called police, the detective said.

Fitzgerald quoted Mrs. McKenzie as saying she and her husband had been visiting the Watsons and had left their apartment when he heard shots. Re-entering the building, McKenzie ran into fire from a war-time, M-1 30 caliber carbine, the detective said.

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Norco students followed the baccalaureate services.

With an audience of 155 present in the Amity High school ceremonies, the Rev. Paul J. Dundore, pastor of St. Paul's Union Church, Amity, preached a sermon on "What Is Our Business?"

Basing a "Sober and humble plan of life" upon three points, he stressed the need to be quiet, to attend to one's own business, and to work with one's own hands.

"All men must live by labor," the Amity minister said. "He who chooses a life without labor and forces the burdens of life on others—this is rank selfishness. Only a man without brotherly love could be guilty of it."

Illustrating his second point, the Rev. Dundore declared, "We cannot live as individuals, for one simply cannot live without influencing others, who live with me and who are affected by my life."

"My business has a religious background," he concluded, "and none other can discharge it except you as an individual."

The Rev. Thomas B. Smythe, pastor of St. Gabriel's Episcopal church of Douglassville, read the Scripture lesson at the services.

In the third baccalaureate service, the Rev. Clayton J. Bates, pastor of East Nantmeal Baptist church, presided at ceremonies attended by 250 students, faculty members, and parents and friends of Warwick High school.

The ceremonies were opened with two brass quartet selections, played by Richard Lawrence, Esther Moyer, Patricia Kratz, and Roberta Orr.

After the processional hymn and the invocation, delivered by the Rev. Charles W. Jared, rector of St. Peter's First Baptist church, the Rev. William G. Nyce, pastor of the Harmonyville Brethren church, read the evening's scripture lesson.

"The Greatest Teaching" was the subject of the sermon by the Rev. Ethelbert B. Yost, pastor of St. Peter's Reformed church, Knaeuertown, in which he compared a world to one in which God is left out of our thinking.

He pointed out the confusion and disorder in national and international morals and customs, citing as an example of international irrationality the burning of potatoes in one country while people starve in another.

"You have three responsibilities," he said, directing part of his talk directly to the graduating class of Warwick High, "a responsibility to God, to your fellow man, and to yourself."

He embellished his central idea with illustrations of how various professional men—doctor, nurse, writer—all had to live up to the triple responsibility.

PUBLISHER DIES
WILKES-BARRE, June 1 (AP)—William J. Peck, 73, for 46 years owner and publisher of the Pittston Gazette, died tonight at 7:30 o'clock at his home at Harding, near Pittston.

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Car Destroyed by Fire; House Blaze Is Averted

Prompt arrival of firemen at 3:15 o'clock Saturday morning saved the home of William Dice, situated along Route 100 at Pigeon Creek, Chester county. Dice's parked coupe burst into flames from a short circuit as the car was parked a few yards from the frame bungalow.

The Good Will Fire company responded and prevented spread of the flames to the building by the use of booster and chemical streams. The coupe was entirely destroyed with a loss of more than \$500.

New Pumper Is Shown To Neighboring Companies

The new pumper of the Good Will Fire company went on a tour yesterday to other fire companies in this section. Firemen in Boyertown, Bechtelsville, Gilbertsville, Bally, Barto, Pennsburg and Red Hill were visited.

Woman Hates Whistlers; One Bopped Her on Head

CHICAGO, June 1 (AP)—Music critics, it develops, run certain risks. Miss Lorraine Szymanski told police that a man entered the office where she works, and "just kept sauntering around the room and whistling." She asked him to leave.

"He grabbed me by the arm," she said, "and socked me on the head with his fist."

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THANKS, EFFIE! YOU'LL NEVER BE SORRY YOU SIGNED THIS NEW CONTRACT. IT'S GOOD PROTECTION!!

I STILL DON'T NEED PROTECTION. I'LL TAKE CARE OF MYSELF!!

YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND. I MEAN BUSINESS PROTECTION!

LIKE FINSTANCE?

FOR INSTANCE, SAY WE GOT YOU AN OFFER FOR A SWELL PITCHING JOB ON ANOTHER TEAM...AND THEY WANT US TO SELL YOU...THIS PROTECTS US!

SHUX! WE DON'T NEED THIS THING!!

EVER'BODY KNOWS YOU CAN'T SELL PEOPLE...THAT'S ILLEGAL!

BRICK BRADFORD

VENCH IS TELLING THE STORY OF HIS CRIMES TO BRICK BRADFORD AND HIS FRIENDS. VENCH'S STORY CONTINUES.

"I WAS SO UPSET," SAYS VENCH, "BY BOLDD'S ACTION I COULD NOT EAT."

"I COULD HARDLY BRING MYSELF TO SPEAK TO BOLDD FOR WHAT HE HAD DONE."

"THUS THE MISERABLE DAYS PASSED UNTIL WE REACHED THE WATERS WHERE THE DIAMONDS SHOULD BE."

ETTA KETT

IT WAS TERRIBLY EXCITING! SEEING MY PICTURE IN THE PAPER, I MEAN! I'M WINNING A PRIZE!

DON'T TELL ME YOU'VE SPENT IT ALREADY!

SORRY! THERE WAS ONLY ONE PRIZE. I SAID YOU THAT THIS MORNING REMEMBER?

OH, BUT THERE SIMPLY MUST BE A MISTAKE. YOU DON'T PAY ME! I WASN'T HERE! REALLY!

I'M BUSY!

IF THIS IS YOUR IDEA OF A JOKE, IT'S GONE FAR ENOUGH, MISS JELLIS!

NOW WHO IS KIDDING WHO? MY NAME'S KETT!

BIG SISTER

THESE MEN WHO SET UPON ME KNEW THAT BY MEANS OF THIS GRANT I STOOD BETWEEN THEM AND THEIR FINAL POSSESSION OF MY UNCLE'S LAND.

THEY SOUGHT TO GET ME OUT OF THE WAY TILL THEY COULD BUY EVERYTHING AT THE SALE WHICH MIGHT CONTAIN THIS GRANT.

AND THAT THOUGHT CHILLS ME TO THE BONE FOR IF THEY FOUND THIS PAPER MY CAUSE IS SLUNK, HOPELESSLY!

DID YOU KNOW WHERE THE GRANT WAS KEPT?

BARNEY GOOGLE & SNUFFY SMITH

DID YOUR UNCLE SNUFFY PROPOSE YET, JUSHAD?

AUNT LOWIZIE'S TRYIN' TO GIT HIM IN TH' MOOD NOW. MISJOFFER GOOGLE—THEY'RE A-SETTIN' ON TH' OL' RAIL FENCE WHAR THEY COURTED THUTTY—ODD YARS AGO.

YOU AN' YORE ROMANTICAL IDEES!!

TOOTS AND GASP

CASPER, MY NEPHEW BUDDY HOOVER IS VISITING US—AND YOU NEVER DREAM WHO HIS GIRL FRIEND IS.

AND WHAT'S MORE, I CARE LESS, COL HOOVER.

HIS GIRL IS AN HEIRESS—SHE'S YOUR BOSS'S NIECE CHICKY.

HA! HA! HA! SO WHAT?

HOLD ON THERE! WAIT A MINUTE! DID YOU SAY M-MY BOSS'S N-NIECE?

YESSIR, AND IF THEY EVER GET MARRIED YOUR WEALTHY BOSS WOULD BECOME AN "IN-LAW" OF MINE.

H-HOW DID T-THEY (GULP) GET ACQUAINTED? HOW HE (SPUTTER) MEET HER?

MICKEY MOUSE

TROUBLE? SURE, CLARABELLE... I'LL BE RIGHT OVER!

GEE... CLARABELLE SOUNDED EXCITED!

MY SISTERS VERNILLI! YOU'LL TAKE CARE OF THE STORE WHEN YOU GO AWAY! GOODBYE!

WELL, DON'T JUST STAND THERE STUPID... BUT...

HOW ABOUT RUSTLING UP SOME GRUB, BUS!

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ROOM and BOARD by Gene Ahern

TUH BE HONEST. I GET DA SWEET TASTE OF FIZZ WATER, OKAY, BUT DA FLAVOR INSIDE DA STRAW IS TOO HARD AN' DON'T MELT OFF QUICK ENOUGH. I JUST GET A FAINT TASTE OF SUMPIN' LIKE LICKIN' AN ENVELOPE FLAP!

AHM KMF... THAT'S THE CHERRY FLAVOR, OR IT MAY BE AH, PINEAPPLE! OF COURSE THESE FLAVOR STRAWS ARE THE FIRST... JUST IN THE EXPERIMENTAL STAGE, Y'KNOW... YAS.

EASY TO REMEDY

ON THE AIR MONDAY				
MORNING				
Hour	KYW NBC 1060 K	WCAU CBS 1210 K	WFIL ABC 560 K	WIP MBS 610 K
6:00	Morning Salute	Sunrise Jambo's	Jack Day Sings	Dawn Patrol
6:15	Morning Salute	Jamboree	Songs of Plains	News Music
6:30	News: Salute	Rural Digest w/b	Farmers Market:	Dawn Patrol
6:45	Low Parker	Amos Kirby	Zeke Manners	News
7:00	Musical Clock	News: Weather	LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire
7:15	News: Music	Hal Moore	LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire
7:30	News: Salute	Musical	News: Weather	Mac McGuire
7:45	Musical Clock	J. Releick. News	LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire
8:00	Musical Clock	Hal Moore	Newsweek Clock	Start Day Right
8:15	" "	" "	" "	Est. Bells
8:30	" "	" "	" "	" "
8:45	" "	" "	Morning Extra	" "
9:00	Path Welles	At Home With	Breakfast Club	News
9:15	" "	The Galeys	" "	Chatter Bar
9:30	Suburban Sch'l	" "	" "	Shady Valley
9:45	Variety	Will Morrall	" "	Foiks
10:00	Katie's Daughter	Besse Howard	My True Story	Key to Happiness
10:15	Once Upon a T's	LeVay's Piano	" "	News
10:30	Read of Life	Evelyn Winters	Betty Crocker	Easy Case
10:45	Force Jordan	David Harum	Club Time	Melody & Encore
11:00	Fred Warine	Arthur Godfrey	Breakfast	Phil Sheridan
11:15	" "	In Hollywood	" "	Mac McGuire
11:30	Jack Berch	For Women Only	Hollywood Story	Heart's Desire
11:45	Lora Lawton	Rosemary	Ted Malone	" "
AFTERNOON				
12:00	News	Kate Smith	Kenny Baker	Victor Lindiahr
12:15	Lunchtimers	Aunt Jenny	Jeeply Hollow	Jamboree
12:30	News	Heien Trent	News (12.55)	News
12:45	Melody Magic	Our Gai Sunday	" "	Lobby Parley
1:00	" "	" "	" "	" "
1:15	Rbt. McCormick	Big Sister	Baukache Talk's	Cedric Foster
1:30	Believe Or Not	Ma Perkins	Keyboard Capers	Little Show
1:45	" "	Dr. Malone	Annie Fess	Melody Gems
2:00	Today's Children	Guiding Light	News (1.55)	Let We Forget
2:15	Woman in White	Mrs. Burton	Cliff Edwards	Queen for a Day
2:30	Masquerade	Perry Mason	Cliff Edwards	" "
2:45	Light on Happiness	Love-Journeys	News is Fun	Do Re Mi
3:00	Life Beautiful	Song of Dreams	Bride & Groom	Two Ton Baka
3:15	Ma Perkins	Charles Shaw	Ladies Be Seated	Milton Starr
3:30	Pepper Young	Creighton Ste'r	" "	" "
3:45	Backstage Wife	Winner Take All	Disc Jockey	News: Melodice
4:00	Sally Dallas	Hunt Hunt	Best Things	Melody Matinee
4:15	Lorenzo Jones	" "	Disc Jockers	Happiness
4:30	Wilder Brown	Horse Races	" "	News
4:45	After Gai Weds	Spotlight Show	Mr. and Mrs.	Hot Money
5:00	Portia Fales	Spotlight Show	Terry & Pirates	Henry Lane
5:15	Just Plain Bill	To Be Announ'd	Sky King	How Harrigan
5:30	Pr't Page Farrell	Bob Eison	Jack Armstrong	Superman
5:45	" "	" "	Tennessee Jed	Capt. Midnight
5:55	" "	" "	" "	Tom Mix
EVENING				
6:00	News: Talk	Jim Reeves New	Magic Lady	6 P M Extra
6:15	Parade: Music	Sports	Bing Crosby	Johnson Fam
6:30	Frank Coleman	Blue Rm Music	Sports	Stoney McMilln
6:45	Lowell Thomas	B. Trout, new	N Black's orch	Uncie Wip
7:00	Supper Club	Mystery of Week	News	Unseen Advisor
7:15	News	Jack Smith	Elmer Davis	News
7:30	Girl Meets Boy	Symphonette	Lone Ranger	Henry Taylor
7:45	" "	" "	Cowboy Drama	Inside of Sports
8:00	Cavalcade of	Inner Sanctum	Lum and Abner	Scotland Yard
8:15	America	Joan Davis	Bob Doyle	" "
8:30	Eleanor Steber	Show	Sherlock Holmes	Gregory Hood
8:45	" "	" "	" "	Case Book
9:00	Ezio Pinza	Radio Theatre	Campus Quiz	Gabriel Heatter
9:15	" "	" "	" "	Real Life Stories
9:30	Victor Borke	Gail Theatre	So You Want to	Guy Lombardo
9:45	Show	" "	Be a Band	Costra
10:00	Buddy Clark	Bob Hawk	Doctors Talk	Hunting and
10:15	Dr. I. Q.	Show	Musical	Fishing Club
10:30	" "	" "	Click Click orch.	News
10:45	News: Caravan	News	" "	Night Serenade
11:00	Caravan	News: Gourdau	News: Supper Club	Come and Dance
11:15	" "	Columbia	Latin Manner	" "
11:30	" "	Concert orch.	Rhythm Makers	" "
11:45	" "	" "	" "	" "
12 P.M.	News	News: Orchestra	Sports and News	Bandwagon

Communists Warn Former Premier to Maintain Silence

BUDAPEST, June 1 (AP)—Friends of former Premier Fejenc Nagy said today Communists were holding a threat of treason over his head to prevent him from talking about the week-end coup in which pro-Russians gained control of the Hungarian government.

The informants said that Nagy, announced as resigning by telephone Thursday from a vacation resort in Switzerland, would be tried in absentia if he broke a reported agreement not to discuss the matter with Western powers.

All Budapest Sunday newspapers printed what they said were excerpts from depositions, obtained by Russian forces, which implicated the former premier in a recent plot to overthrow the government.

Nagy's friends expressed alarm over one statement attributed to Guyla Salata, brother of Kalman Salata, Nagy's closest adviser who fled from Hungary when the Communists declared the existence of such a plot.

"I shall declare in court that my brother told me all instructions in the plot came from Ferenc Nagy," Guyla Salata was quoted as saying.

That statement, Nagy's friends said, is the only evidence needed by the Hungarian people's court.

Publication of Guyla's deposition was the first indication most Hungarians had that he was in Russian hands.

Held by Reds?



Methodist Missionary Lora Irene Battin of Peoria, Ill., is one of three American women teachers reportedly held captive for three days by Chinese Communist troops at Changli.

Traffic in the port of Boston is second only to New York, in the United States, in value of imports and sea-borne passenger trade.

New Government Takes Reigns in Italy; Communists, Socialists Brushed Aside

ROME, June 1 (AP)—Italy's new centrist government was sworn into office today, and the Rome press speculated excitedly about the possibility of American aid to Italy under the Truman doctrine.

The cabinet—first Italian postwar government from which Communists and Socialists were excluded—was administered the oath by President Enrico de Nicola at the presidential palace. The cabinet is the fourth to be headed by Premier Alcide de Gasperi and is composed of ten members of his Christian Democratic party and five independents.

Much of the newspaper speculation about possible United States aid was pegged on a meeting at Livorno tomorrow of high-ranking American Army officers. But Army public relations officers denied that the purpose of the session was "within the scope" of the Truman doctrine.

An official Army announcement said that the meeting, which will bring together general officers of the U. S. European and Mediterranean theaters, was called to "arrange for the removal from Italy of American troops and equipment after the Italian treaty has been signed."

The treaty provides for withdrawal of occupation troops within 90 days of ratification. There are

approximately 20,000 American soldiers in this country, the Army said.

Among those attending the conference will be Lt. Gen. Clarence Huebner, the U. S. deputy commander in Germany, and Lt. Gen. Geoffrey Keyes, the U. S. commander in Austria.

The conservative newspaper *Il Tempo* said "there is an air presaging very decisive events at Livorno." It quoted an American infantryman as saying that he would "not be home for Christmas."

Il Tempo asserted also that the "absence of the British" at the conference "spoke better than any long speech of the 'tone' of the Truman policy."

Other newspapers said many factors indicated that American troops were preparing for a long stay in Italy. They said a school for the children of American military personnel would be reopened at Livorno.

no, that the American railway office there had received a new marble facing, and that new requisitions had been made for military rest camps along the Livorno coast.

FLAG STAFFS BROKEN

Police were notified on Saturday that vandals had broken the wooden staffs of two flags which had been placed at the Federal building, High and Washington streets, as a part of the observance of Memorial Day.

One of the foremost hat-collectors is Winston Churchill who possesses every type of civilian and military headpiece from every country he has visited. His military collection covers three wars and a 50-year period.

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Resident Complains Plane Flying Low Over Borough

An investigation is being made by local and State police as the result of an airplane reportedly flying low and stunting over the borough Saturday morning.

George Fisher, of 414 North York street, called the local police at 11:15 o'clock Saturday morning and said the plane was flying very low over that section of the borough. Sgt. Reilly, of the State police station at Collegeville, also was contacted.

Sequoia National Park has more than 40 peaks over 13,000 feet high, including the nation's tallest, Mount Whitney, 14,495.

Three Persons Killed in Quebec Air Crash

LONGUEUIL, Que., June 1 (AP)—A seaplane which went out of control a moment before it was to land carried three persons to death today when it plummeted into the St. Lawrence river off this town opposite Montreal.

The dead, all from Toronto, were: Pilot Jim Mathewson, engineer Harris and a passenger named Smith. Christian names of Harris

and the passenger were not known immediately.

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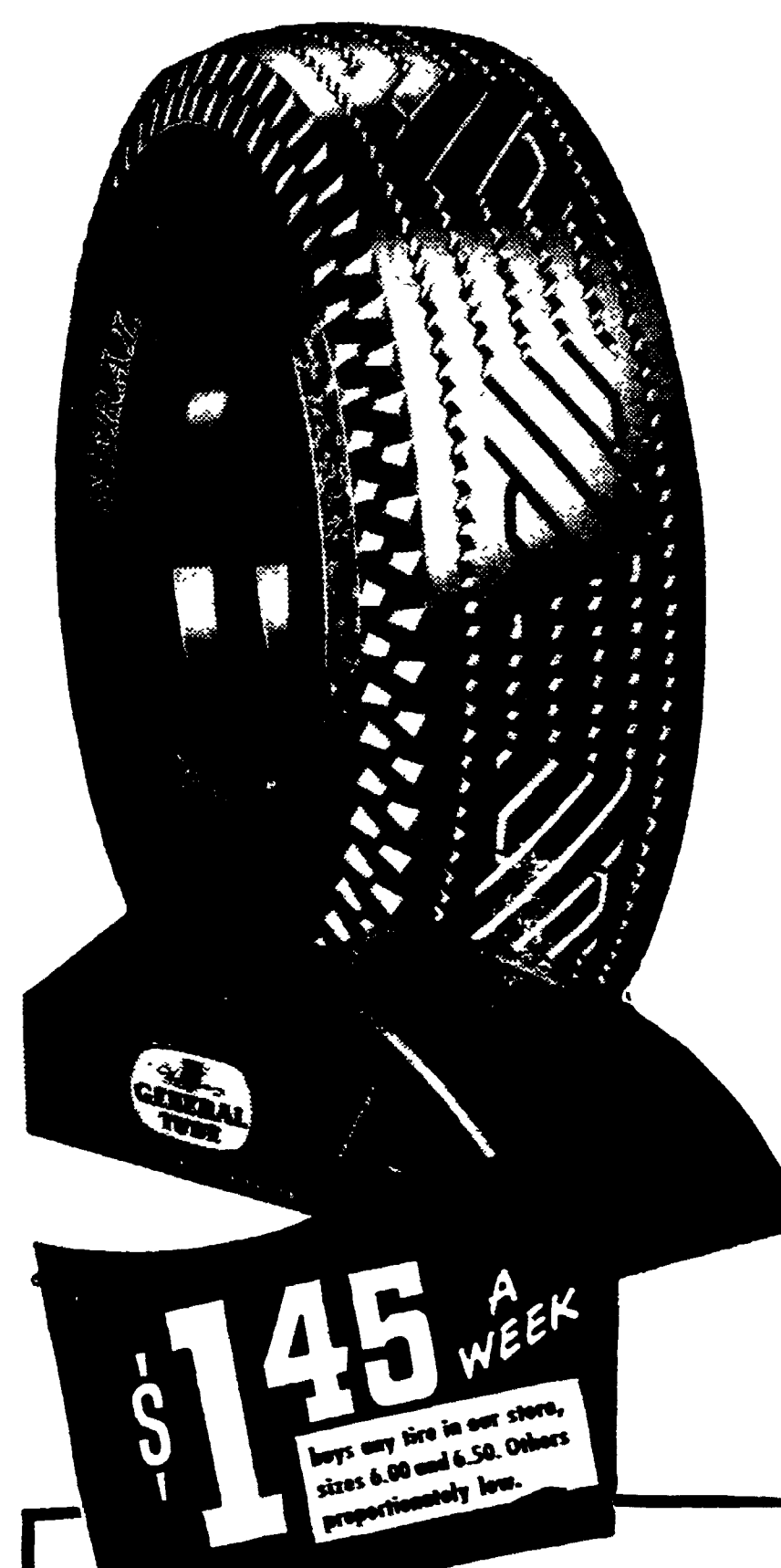
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